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Good things *do* come in small packages.

The economic cost of a Christian education, the declining number of school-age children and the unique purpose of Mars Hill have, since 1947, made it the smallest accredited educational institution in Colbert or Lauderdale County. Being small however, has never meant being inferior as Mars Hill students have built a record of achievement and success. Use of such a theme for the MIZPAH was a 'natural'.

When inflation soared to 18% and interest rates topped 20% in 1980, the economic pinch shoved enrollment downward from 742 in the 1979-80 term to 705 this year. Surprisingly, the loss of students and tighter budgets did not seem to create a loss of vision of the school's purpose and, once again, smaller did not mean inferiority.

In fact as you review the 1980-81 school year in the pages of this record, you will find evidence of a good education, of individual and group achievements unheard of for most schools this size, and of a unity and bond that wraps the entire Mars Hill family in a small but valuable package. And, good things *do* come in small packages.

Finding stories to fit the theme was really too simple. Everywhere we turned we saw the concept in front of us.

Economically, we were limited from providing the diversity of courses offered by larger, public schools. Still students here are equal to their public school 'cousins' in national test scores and few of our students have difficulty in college studies. Most graduates enjoy successful careers.

The possibilities for theme development in the academic section were endless. Those that are included touch the lives of every student, every family.

Being small has meant that 'we are family' and the family ties here are examined in both the academic and senior sections.

Our athletic teams continued to score win after win over schools with much larger student populations. The area's 4-A schools were no longer willing to risk playing 'tiny' Mars Hill. Our baseball team plays on even terms with any school in the state.

Organizations such as 4-H, Chorus, Debate, the Key Club and the Beta Club consistently 'compete' with their sister organizations. More often than not, they end up on top. School publications are rated superior. Our student council sponsored the area's top magazine sales, gaining over $32,000 in sales. Our size didn't get in our way.

Though the ideas for stories were many, the book did not come easy. There were so many things that could have been written and so many ways ideas could have been presented that we spent many hours refining what you now hold in your hands.

Many layouts were redrawn, many stories rewritten and many photographs taken. We believe you have the best we had available and that this book will touch each life again and again, for you are the book. You are part of our small package.

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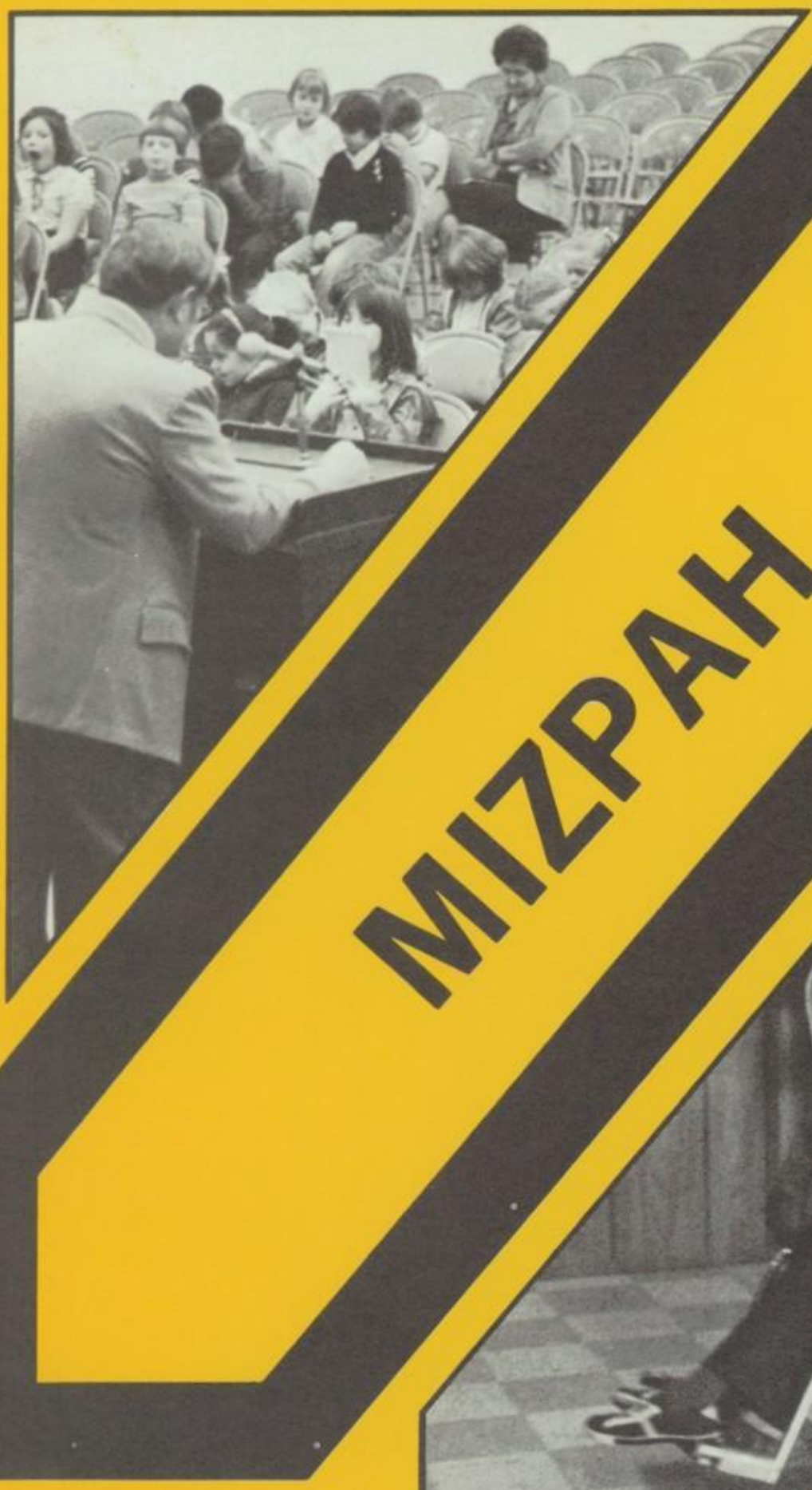
Sheri Stott

Scott Farris

PEERING into the staff workroom, Tomasue Weber was anxious to see the 1981 MIZPAH. We hope you are too.



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(ABOVE) GUIDING CHAPEL for elementary occupied Robert Huffaker's time.
(BELOW) MOVING THROUGH the halls on her way to class is junior Marla Wynne.

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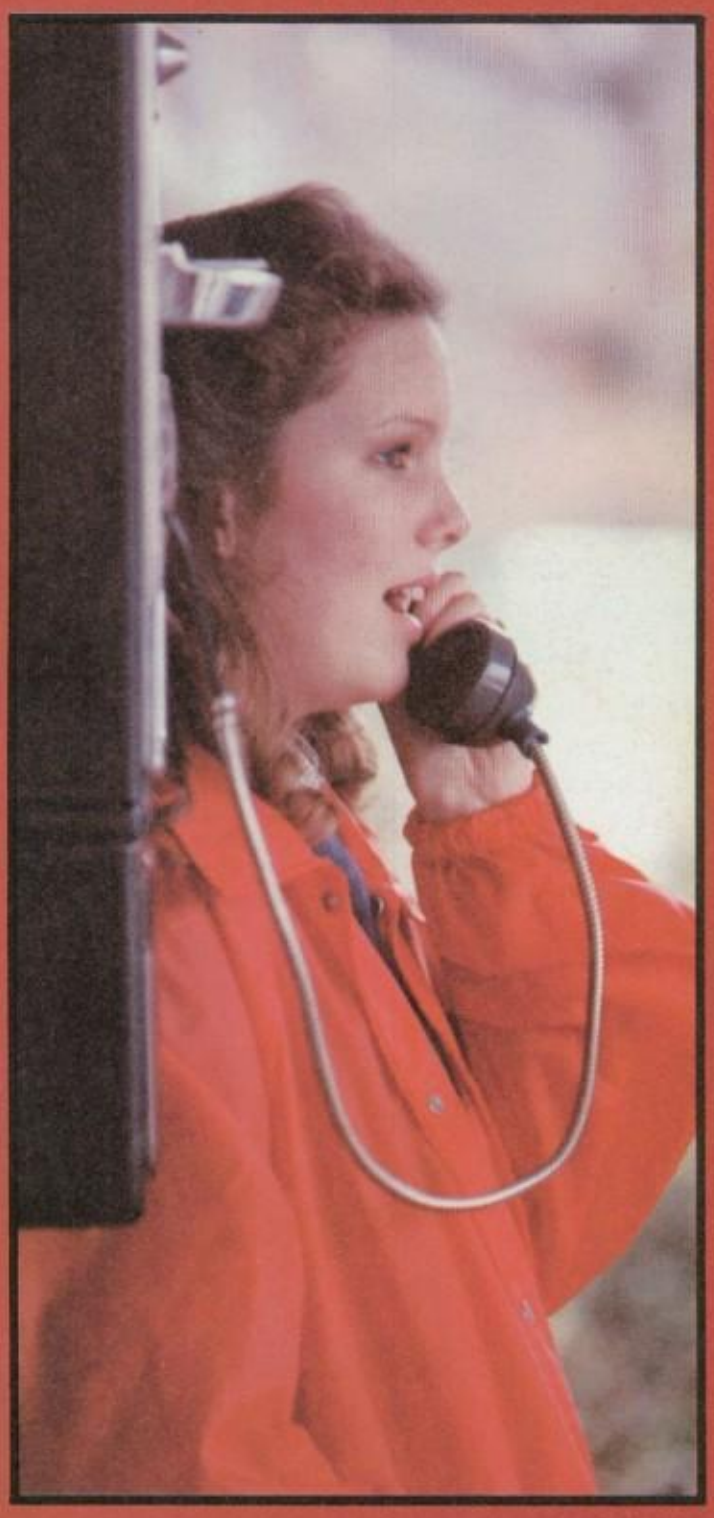
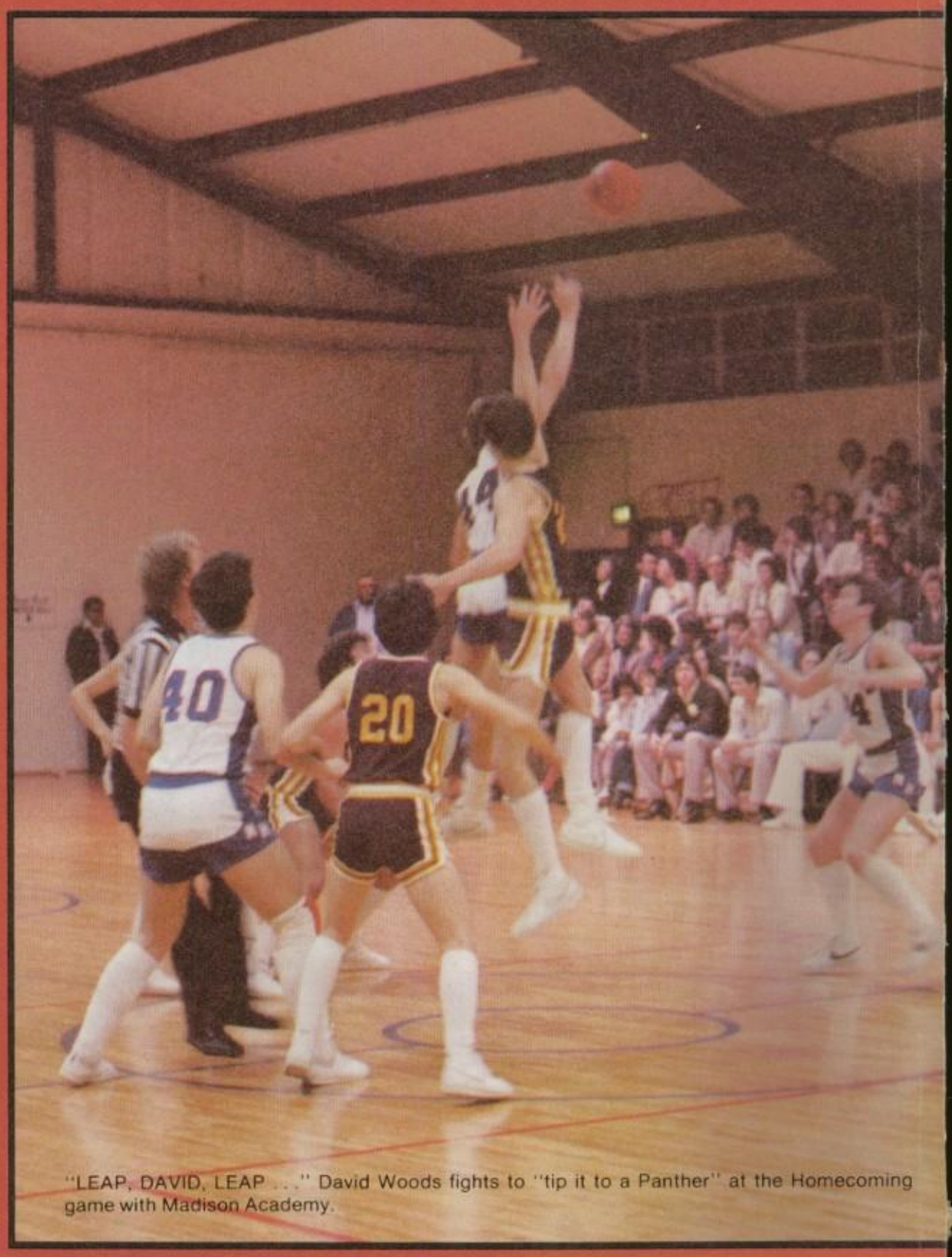
Small schools are fascinating. With a small campus and an equally small student body, students created a year that was both unique and exciting. Classes experienced a special kind of unity as each person was able to know everyone else in his class. Most students could truly say that everyone in their class was a personal friend.

SOCIALIZING WITH FRIENDS is a part of daily life. Claudia Wear talks with Scott Holley after chapel.



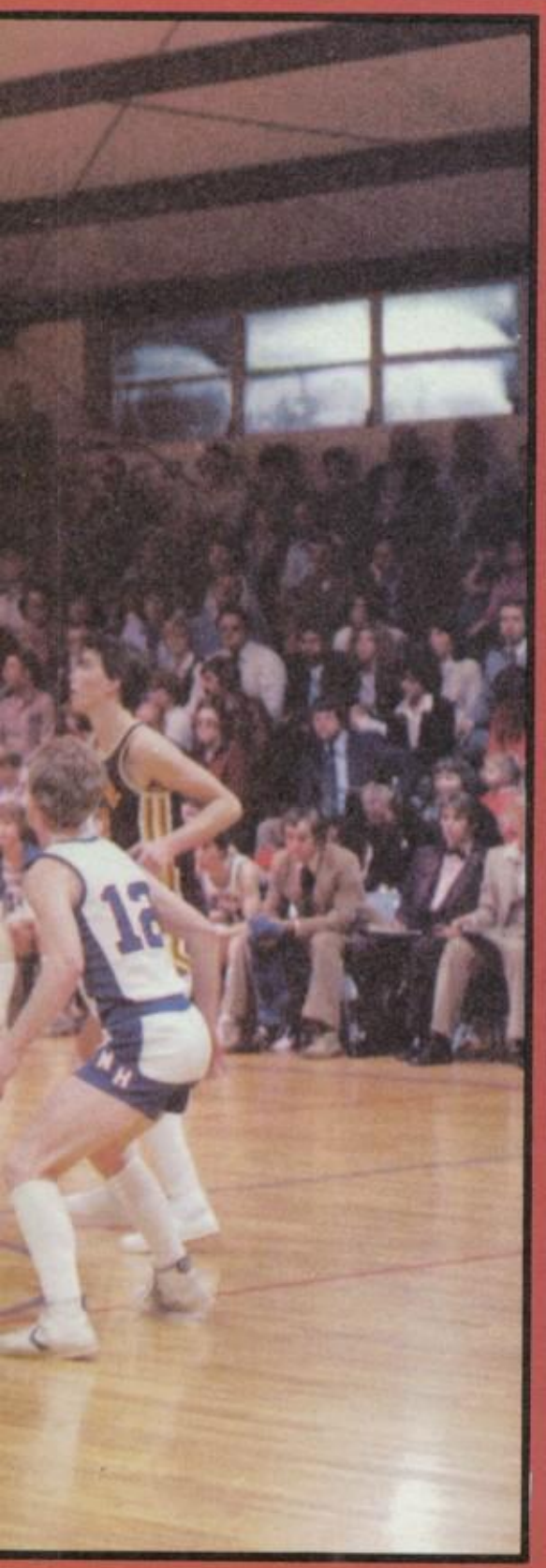
A FAVORITE PASTIME OF Christy Winn's is talking over the phone, even if it means being out of class during seventh period on occasions.



"LEAP, DAVID, LEAP . . ." David Woods fights to "tip it to a Panther" at the Homecoming game with Madison Academy.

BIG, YELLOW, AND familiar, one of twelve buses heads for the road at the end of the day.

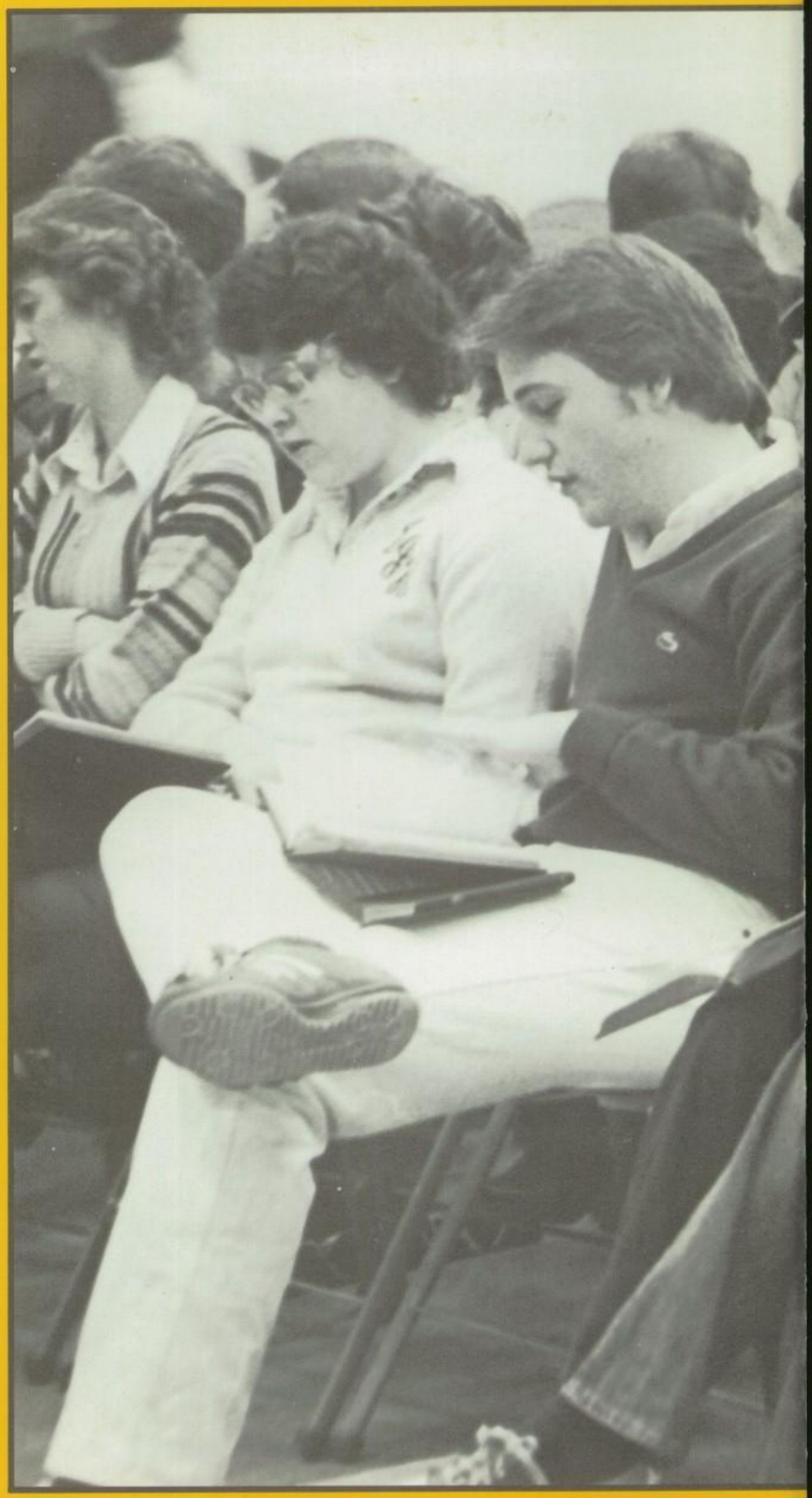
TRUE TO HER honor of 'Most Studious,' Rita Stamps concentrates on her book.



"HOMECOMING." THE VERY word conjures up pictures of beauty and elegance. Joe Walker and Angela Longshore wait to be presented to the crowd.

TALENTED SONDRA MAY demonstrates to her sophomore speech class how to make a chef's salad.
DAILY APPEARANCE IS always a concern of every girl, as shown here by Amanda Gifford.

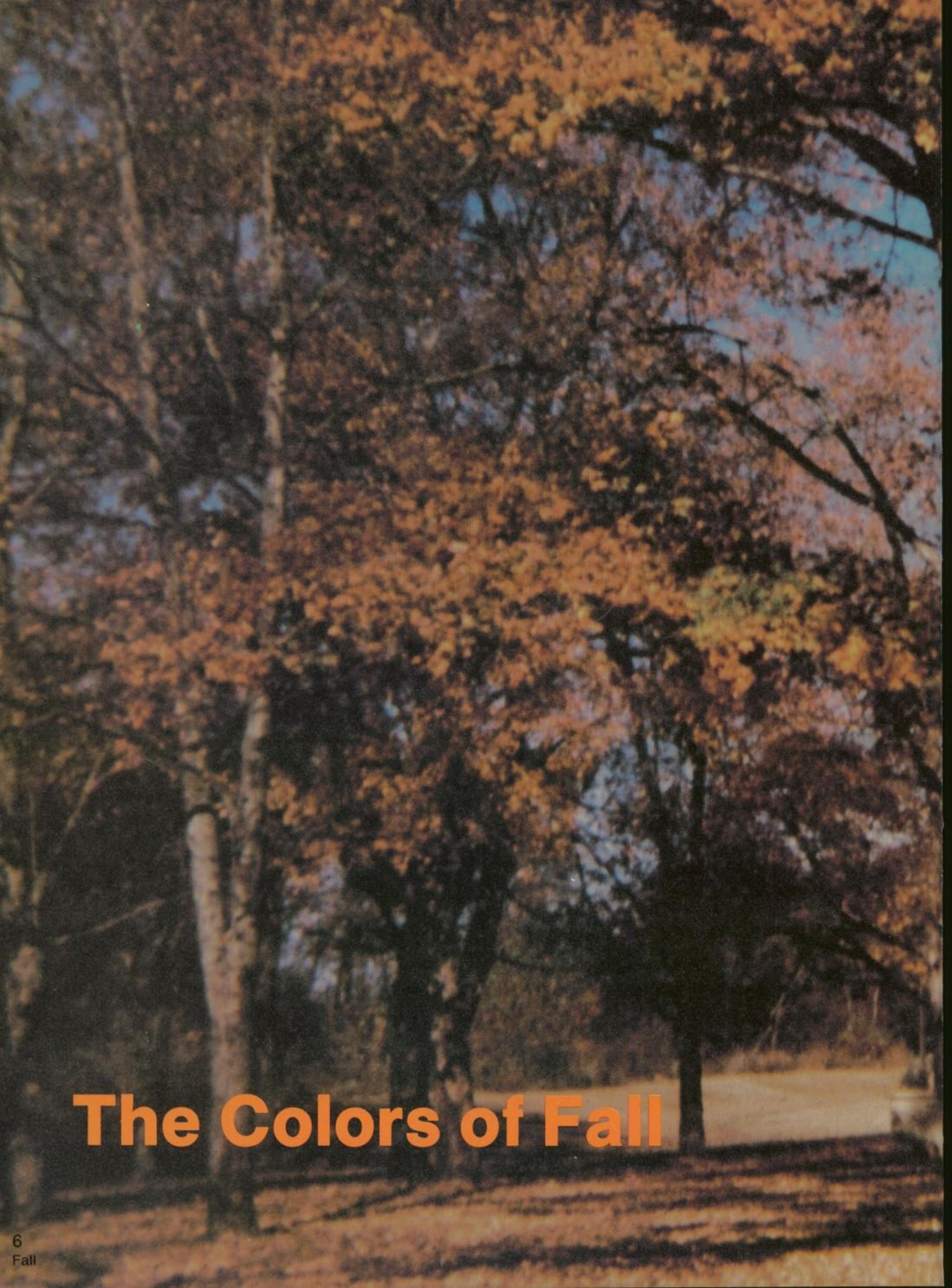
SHOWING SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP, senior class members prepare the minds of the students for chapel by singing.



Students expressed themselves in a variety of ways. Whether they were at a Homecoming or Who's Who, or an everyday activity such as chapel, personalities shone through. Extracurricular activities, field trips and campus visitors provided colorful relief from day to day routines. An ex-pro football player spoke in chapel, and students were also visited by a ventriloquist and his dummy.

TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY to visit with members of other classes, students gather at the back of the auditorium after chapel.

SETTING THE MOOD for worship, principal Lawrence Williams explains the order of services in chapel.



The Colors of Fall

Flaming colors of reds, yellows, and oranges add a touch of fire to the scenery around the old church building.

The dog days of Indian summer set in with the changing leaves. Long, lazy afternoons filled with sunshine made students relish the last of the warm weather.

As the leaves' colors became deeper and more brilliant, the first chill of winter set in. Although the temperatures were lower, the sunshine continued and the nip of cold weather in the air relieved students as they enjoyed the cooler days; remembering the fierce heat of the long summer months.

The beautiful, mild weather was a perfect opportunity for the journalism class to practice their photography. The class made several expeditions down to the church grounds to try their luck at being photographers. The beautiful scenery provided a perfect setting.

For many years, the old church has been a familiar and well-loved landmark, and never was it more beautiful than seen with the colors of fall.

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42 Classes — There are hundreds of pictures in this section, but each one represents an individual. Some stand out in the crowd like cheerleaders, star athletes, Homecoming queen, or maybe that special girl or boy. But it takes all these people and more, each with their own personalities and abilities, to make the student life so unpredictable.

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96 Academics — An education. Supposedly, that is what everyone is here for. Some work hard for it while others barely get by and have a good time. As teachers patiently teach and parents worry themselves sick, the average student passes. Take a look back and see which class you excelled in most.

114 Athletics — Check out the action of the Panther teams as we take a look at the ups and downs of the past season. See the girls attempt to gain back the area crown and struggle to come out on top at the end of their season. Let's not forget the moral support of the fans and how their actions promoted school spirit.

140 Junior High — A time of mixed emotions, feelings and fear. A time of sharing, learning, and giving. Junior high students faced new experiences every day of the year. But they managed to cope and gain maturity from these experiences. Glance through the Junior High life section and see what makes growing up so special to each and every one. These are, and to some were, "the good old days."

170 Elementary — From first grade pencils to Mr. Taylor's math class came a year of excitement and hard work. Students laid foundations for their future as they grew and matured physically and spiritually. It was not unusual to see an elementary student striving for an 'A' just to please his parents or for self satisfaction. Whatever the case, walking down the aisle with a high school diploma is a great reward all strive to reach.

200 Advertisements — Look through these pages and see how many times you or your friends are on them. Also see the people behind the scenes who help put out the Mizpah and support the school.

AFTER A GRUELING battle of tug-of-war, sophomores Sondra May and Cindy Wright head for the hill and a clean-up job.

For eight hours a day, one hundred seventy-five days a year, school became a "home away from home" for the seven hundred and five enrolled students.

From eight o'clock a.m., to three o'clock p.m., students' lives intertwined with each other as they went to class, ate lunch, worshipped in chapel and did the countless other small things that combined to make the school year an endless routine and, yet, endlessly fascinating.

The first days were full of anticipation and excitement. Old friendships were renewed between familiar but long-unseen students, and new friendships blossomed with the promise of lifelong relationships. Students ran into an endless variety of problems as they struggled to adjust to new schedules. The offices were swamped with an endless parade of dissatisfied students, trying to get courses dropped or added to their schedules.

All good things must come to an end, however, and after the initial excitement died down, inevitable boredom reared its head. But as boredom was born, so was created a fighting spirit to conquer it. Each student fought boredom in his or her own special way.

They brought balloons to school and swatted them back and forth across the tables in the lunchroom. They made calls on the pay phone during lunch. They carried cassette players from class to class and strains of "Another One Bites the Dust" echoed through the halls.

The daily break after chapel provided a perfect opportunity for the playing of games such as "Tornado Drill" and "Gravity Pull." A typical student walking through the halls after chapel was not alarmed by the sight of masses of "dead bodies" lying on the floor in the halls and in the classrooms. It was a unique way to fight boredom.

Lunch period was also a time for students to wage a major battle in the continuing fight. Students tried to finish eating quickly so they could go outside. Walking around the building, sitting under trees, and sitting on cars listening to the radio were all popular pastimes. Often there was competition to see which class could get the most people on top of the stump outside the front entrance. Students buried each other in the leaves during the fall, and in the winter they had frigid fun putting icicles down each others' backs.

National and international affairs and happenings provided a back drop against which students' lives were played out.

They watched in horror as John Lennon was gunned down in front of the Dakota, and joined in a silent farewell vigil that was felt around the world.

They shared the country's sheer relief and unrestrained joy as the American captives in Iran were finally released after 444 days of captivity, and paused to send a heart-felt thanks to God.

They looked on as Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as the 40th President of the U.S., with high hopes for a better future under the leadership of his administration.

Whatever was going on in the outside world, the school remained a small world of its own, growing and enlarging its knowledge, but at the same time keeping its unity of spirit and close, binding ties that have become its trademark.

SPORTS TAKES a great deal of time for MH students. Allison Bridges dons the Panther outfit at Homecoming to cheer on the Panthers.

TIME AFTER CHAPEL means opportunities to be with friends. Vicki Hill, Penny Stutts, and Eric Davis enjoy the extra three-minute break.

Things you always wanted to know about MH

* The HS library has 7392 books.
* There are 6439 tiles in the building.
* The HS building has 120 windows.
* There have been 1,164 MH graduates.
* On an average day, the parking lot has 95 cars.
* There are 325 parking spaces on campus.
* Price Counts has the most unique phone number (383-3838)
* 97 students were absent on January 22.
* The most common lunch was hamburgers and fries.
* Students from Cherokee spend 350 hours a year on the bus, while those from Rogersville spend 262 hours on the bus.
* On an average day, one motorcycle is on campus.

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Beth Henry, Editor

It Took All Summer

"School's out for summer . . ."

When the final bell rang at the end of last period on May 16, 1980, most students were off for a sunny summer of fun.

For the school maintenance crew, however, school was just beginning.

The crew, led by supervisor Richard Kelly, was a team comprised of boys from the upper grades and former graduates. It included Greg Boren, Aaron Sain, Jimmy Boren, Wayne Lewis, Joel, Robin, and James Kendrick, Doug Posey, Mike Watson, Jeff Hensley, Kevin Davis, and Don Horsman.

"We started working on June 2, two weeks after school was out, and we were still working the Sunday night before school started again," commented Greg Boren, a member of the crew.

Jobs completed by the boys ranged from tiling floors to painting bathrooms and sanding doors.

"We tiled four bathrooms, and replaced broken tiles all over the school. We also painted seven classrooms and four bathrooms and all the door trimming," Jeff Hensley remarked.

"We buffed and waxed all the rooms, and sanded all the doors and wooden teachers' desks," Boren added.

The crew also cleaned out the storage barn located behind the bus maintenance garage.

But, you ask, why would anyone want to spend practically their entire summer working at school when most people were having summer fun, skiing, swimming, and going on vacation?

"Well," Hensley answered, "I just got tired of seeing the school looking run-down all the time. I wanted to do something to get it in better shape, so I decided to work on it during the summer. It was a good way to make the school look better and get paid at the same time."

According to Doug Posey, the school looks sometimes "like a dump" because of the students themselves. "The kids don't really appreciate what they have, so they abuse it."

"Basically, we're all concerned about the school and how it looks to other people, both students and visitors," Aaron Sain explained. "That's why we work to make it look better."

"If students would take care of the school, they would be able to have many more new things," Greg Boren added.

"I really had fun working with Mr. Kelly," Kevin Davis remembered. "He's the best boss you could ever have."

WHILE THE SUMMER temperatures soared to 100 degrees and above, the maintenance crew worked to get the school in shape.
BOOK COVERED TABLES told the story of behind-the-scenes work during the summer.
A WIDE EXPANSE of carpet confronts Greg Boren as he vacuums the auditorium.

To Prep The Hill

Most of the boys plan to continue to work on the school building and grounds during vacation in the years ahead.

"The more we work, the better the school will look," Hensley speculated.

The boys seemed to really enjoy their work on the school.

"It was really a great experience. I learned a lot from working during the summer. It taught me a lot about keeping priorities straight," Wayne Lewis said.

"I really didn't miss all the things other kids were doing," Posey added. "To me, working on the school meant a lot because it gave me a chance to help improve the campus."

The most important aspect of the job was, to the boys, being able to see positive results from their efforts.

"It's really great to see something looking like new and knowing that you were responsible for it," Davis explained. "It gave me a super feeling. I felt like I had really accomplished something."

The crew wants to continue working in the years to come, because, according to Boren, "We are still way behind in getting the school into top shape. It would take years to really get the school looking like it needs to."

But, in the meantime, the crew intends to try their hardest to get the school looking its "absolute best."

AN OLD FLOOR-buffer and a beat-up ladder wait to go back to work in the hall.
SANDING DOWN THE fountain, Jimmy Boren tries to clean off some of the dirt and rust.
WITH HIS HEAD hidden from view, Jeff Hensley checks the spots in the auditorium ceiling.

October 18, 1980 dawned cloudy and dismal, but the mood was one of excitement.

It was Punkin' Day — the day which AWO ladies, parents, and students had been preparing for and looking forward to for many long months.

Punkin' Day is an annual fund-raising event. The money raised by the AWO is given to the school to be used wherever it is needed.

Punkin' Day took a new look in '80 as a new activity, the Laff-A-Lympics, was added to the yearly festivities. The Laff-A-Lympics, created by the AWO and sponsored by the eighth grade, included many different activities which climaxed with a muddy tug-of-war.

High school coaches Brewer, Williams, and Snodgrass coordinated the activity.

'I really enjoyed the Laff-A-Lympics and I think the kids did too," Coach Brewer commented. "The Laff-A-Lympics were created because the high school students needed something that they could really enjoy."

In addition to the Laff-A-Lympics, each class sponsored a booth in the old gym. The booths were built, decorated, and operated by room mothers in the elementary grades, and students in the high school.

Wares sold at the booths included anything from candied apples to T-shirts.

Sponsored by the sixth grade, the Dunkin' Machine provided an opportunity for students to dunk their favorite friends — and some not-so-favorite teachers, in a tankful of very chilly water.

"Southern Heat," a band made up of high school students, gave two performances at Punkin' Day in the auditorium. The band, sponsored by the senior class, performed such hits as "You May Be Right" and "Almost Ready."

"Southern Heat is a really great band. They are up-to-date and talented. It was the best concert I've ever seen out here," Christy Winn said.

As part of a rich tradition, Punkin' Day proved to be a day to remember for all those who attended.

TUMBLING INTO the water, Brian Holt and Bradley Weber found Punkin' Day a 'wet' day.
AFTER A PERFORMANCE BY the rock band 'Heat,' Jenny Cochran decided to get 'made up' like Kiss.

AN OLD-FASHIONED TUG-OF-WAR between the classes highlighted Punkin' Day activities.

LAFF-A-LYMPICS

There was a new type of fever sweeping over the nation. It was called fitness. It got America, including students, out into their yards, on the streets and active. It was the fitness fever.

Fitness was a key word in the lives of many students. It involved many things, such as exercising and working out, eating the right foods, and being active in many different sports.

1980 began the decade of the "me" syndrome. Everyone was going back to what was natural and supposedly healthy. Students and teachers were not left out in this philosophy. Everyone was doing something to improve their self-image.

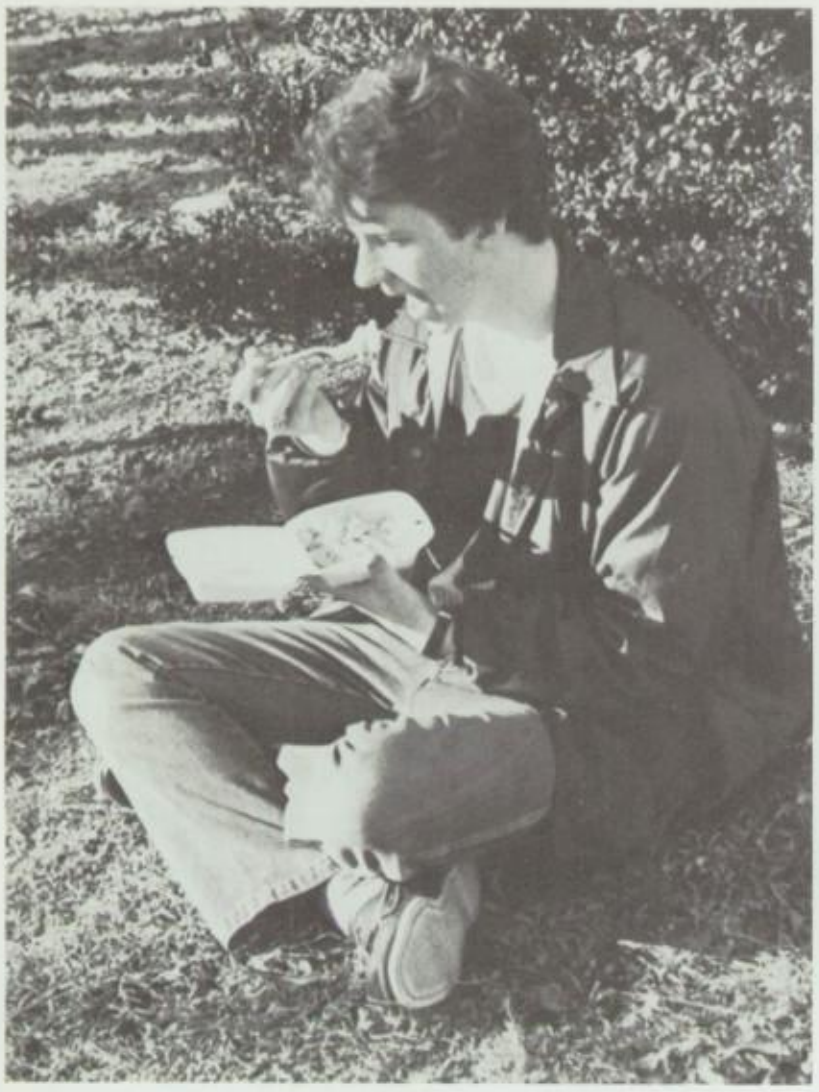
"Yes, I try to stay fit," stated Coach Beth Brewer. "There's so much that can get you down, I try to do as much for myself health-wise as possible."

Keeping fit also involved keeping in shape. Several students joined the New Life Fitness Center, a health club in Florence. Here they worked out with all the best Nautilus weight-lifting equipment, then relaxed in the sauna or whirlpool.

Tyler Swinea commented, "After I work out, I am really tired, but I just think of all the good it will do me in the long run. I'll have better muscle tone and feel healthier."

Not only the guys worked out, but several of the girls did too. Though many people thought that girls would have bulging muscles if they lifted weights, it is a known fact that a girl will look trimmer and more fit after working out for a while on a regular basis. Donna Watkins explained, "For basketball, we lift weights three days out of the week. I feel like doing this really helps me feel better."

WEIGHT LIFTING WAS a strenuous way to build muscles and get in shape. Ron's Gym was a popular fitness center for students. Scott Farris works out on the weight machines during a session at the gym. "Lifting weights helps build my muscles and it also makes me feel better. I like the satisfaction I get from lifting large amounts of weight," Farris said.



EATING THE RIGHT foods was important. Jimmy Gann found it sometimes necessary to eat salads outdoors instead of the richer foods in the cafeteria.

JOGGING WAS ONE of the most popular ways to get in shape. L'Nita Jamison goes for a run on the road near her house.

A majority of the students exercised to improve their shapes and their health. Stretching exercises were a necessity before playing in any type of sport. Students found that these exercises made them feel and look better. Christy Winn stated, "I feel better after I exercise. It's a good way to wake up in the morning."

Aerobic dancing classes and exercise classes became popular with several students. Aerobics are exercises set to music. Nina Hargett commented, "The aerobics were fun. After they were over, I could tell a difference in my muscle tone and limberness. They helped with doing stunts and jumps in cheering. I feel like the classes were really worth the time and money."

Many students admitted to dieting. Since "slim and trim" was so popular, everyone was always wanting to shed a few pounds. For some it was easy, but for others, dieting sometimes had the opposite effect.

One girl, who wished to remain anonymous said, "When I say I'm on a diet, I seem to eat more. I've tried all sorts of diets — the fruit diet, the egg diet, now I've decided just to try to cut down on everything."

Jogging also became a health fad. Everywhere one looked, they were sure to see someone braving weather conditions, trudging on down the road. Doctors recommend jogging to improve your shape as well as your heart and respiratory systems.

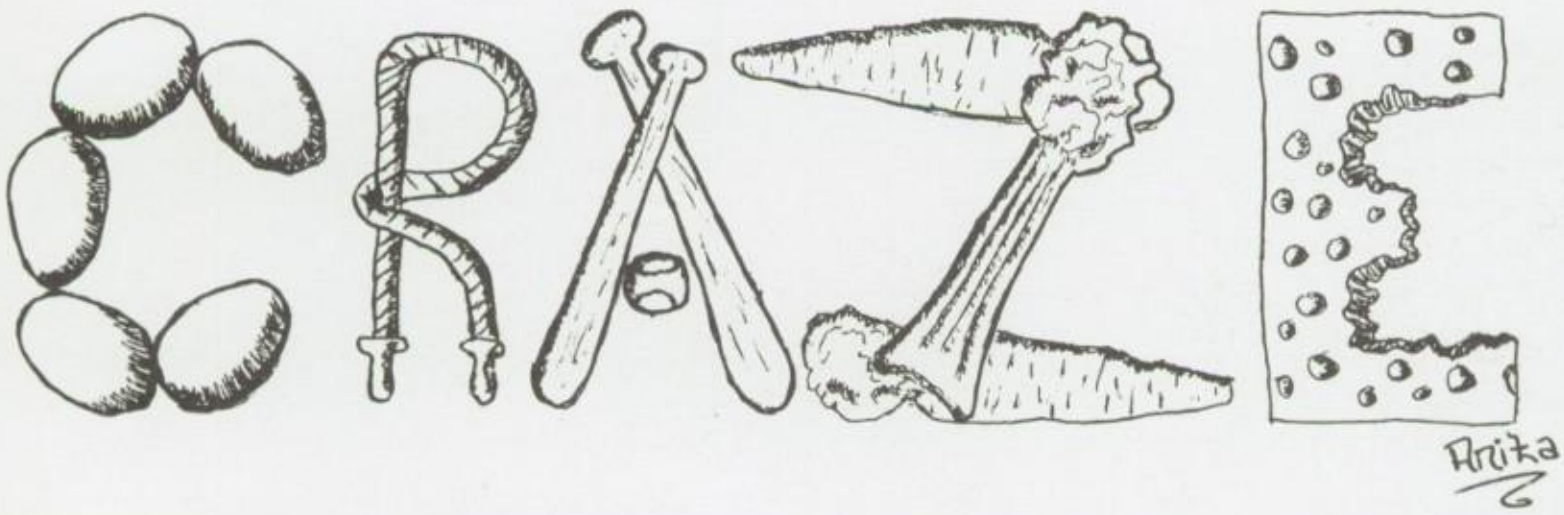
Coach Brewer was an avid jogger. "Everyone should walk or jog," she stated. "But I recommend getting the right shoes and doing it on the right surface. We have track in P.E. because it is probably the best way to get into shape."

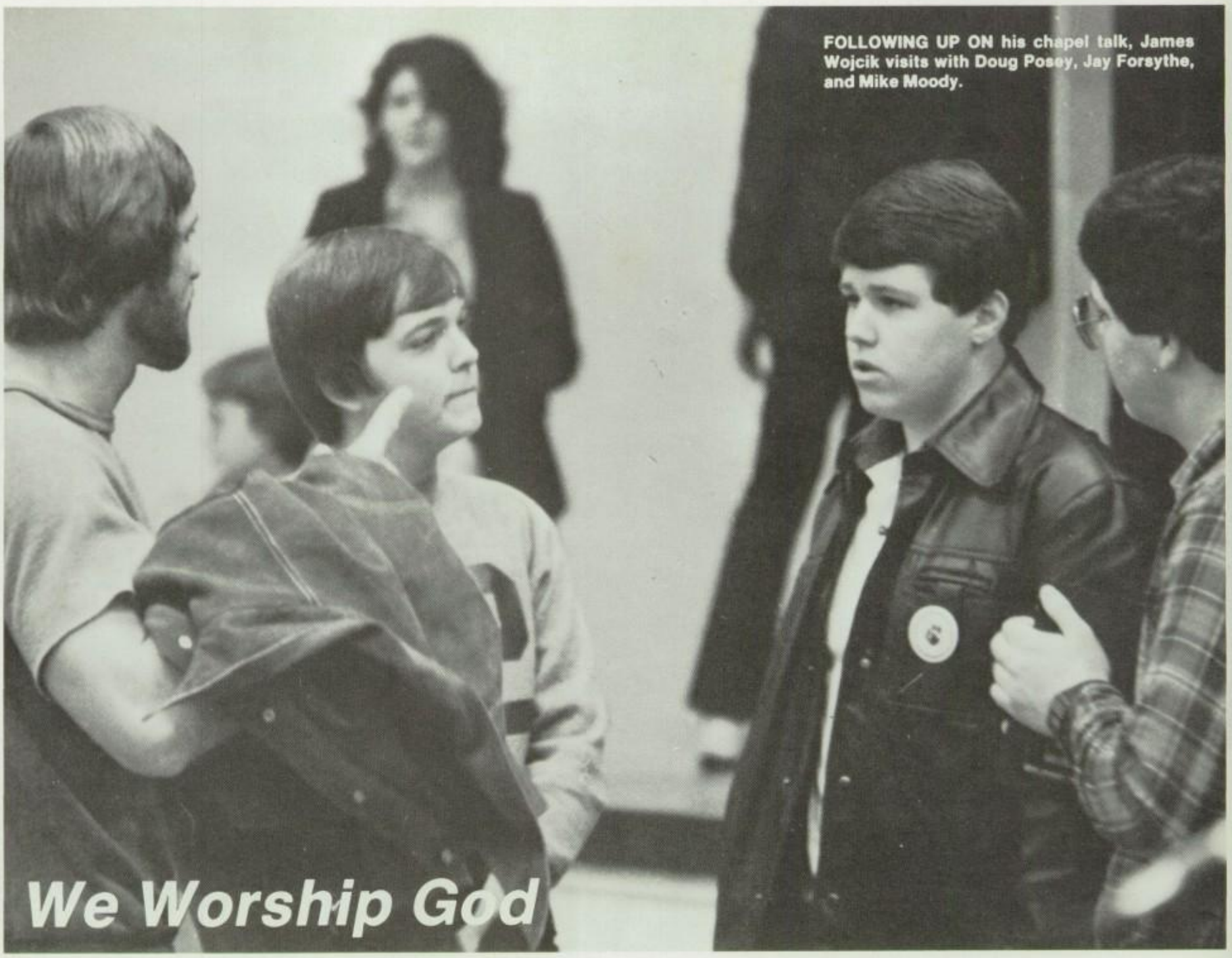
"I enjoy running," added Doug Smith. "I like the good feeling I get about myself when I run. It makes me feel like a winner."

Many students were involved in sports other than team sports. Bowling, tennis, swimming, and skiing were the favorites.

Swimming was probably the favorite summer sport. A day by the pool, beach, or lake was a day well spent to most students. L'Nita Jamison has her own swimming pool. "I enjoy swimming, and it's fun teaching children how to swim and dive," she explained.

Whatever happened to be their favorite sport, most students realized the importance of keeping in shape, and they had fun while they achieved their goals.





FOLLOWING UP ON his chapel talk, James Wojcik visits with Doug Posey, Jay Forsythe, and Mike Moody.

We Worship God

More than any other part of daily student life, chapel represented the ideas of the school.

For about 20 minutes each day, students gathered in the auditorium for a period of worship to God.

"When the school was first established, its philosophy was to have a Bible class for students, and also a period when everyone would have a chance to worship," principal Lawrence Williams explained. "Chapel is just a few minutes set aside to worship God."

Singing, prayer, and Bible readings were conducted in each service. Most of the time these activities were conducted by the students themselves.

"Allowing the students to conduct the worship provides a good training opportunity for the boys who participate. They learn how to plan and conduct a service, and then they are better able to participate in the worship at their home congregations," Williams commented.

Since Williams was responsible for planning chapel, he tried to add variety to the services by inviting guest speakers to give short talks. Usually there was at least one guest speaker each week.

One speaker whom the students seemed to really enjoy was James Wojcik, the brother-in-law of Betsy and David Smelser. Wojcik spent several years in the state penetentiary, but when he was released he became a Christian.

"I thought Brother Wojcik was a really good speaker," Stacy Clark remembered. "He really knew how to say what he felt."

Christy Winn added, "He was very down to earth and straight. He really told it like it was."

Another popular speaker was Robert Penchion, a former pro football player. Brother Penchion talked to students about the pro football world and all the problems with being a Christian in such a fast-paced environment.

Brother Williams believed that most students really responded well to the guests. "I think our attentiveness has been a whole lot better this year," he stated. "They're really listening to what people are saying."

Almost every day, the senior class gathered in the auditorium a few minutes before chapel started so they could set the mood for worship by singing.

"I like it when the seniors start singing early because it really helps me to get my mind on the worship," Shane Staggs said.

Trying to instill an idea of worship and respect for God, chapel continued to be one of the most vital parts of student life.

A FAMILIAR FACE at the pulpit during chapel, Miles Stutts leads the student body in singing.

ONE OF THE most enjoyable aspects of daily worship is singing. Allison Bridges, Sondra May, Mona Gooch, Amy Swinea, and Tina Hester join the leader in song.

CONCENTRATING ON THE service, eighth grader Jeff Blackwell worships in song.

SURVIVAL!

INFLATION HITS TEENS, COSTS SOAR AT THE PUMPS, IN THEATRES AND STORES

Skyrocketing gas prices.

Costs in stores that continued to rise on every item in every department.

1981 was a unique year in most ways, but it had one thing in common with the recent years that had gone before: inflation.

Cited by most economists as "the most pressing problem facing the nation," inflation continued to frustrate consumers as it poked its head into every aspect of daily life.

"Inflation really is the worst problem in the country, and it doesn't look as if it will let up any time soon," commented Glyn Hollis, vice-president of First National Bank in Florence.

Inflation has always plagued the older generations, but in recent years, it has become a concern for teens as well.

"It's just unbelievable, the price of things," Greg Oliver exclaimed. "I've always taken money for granted, but the more I see of rising prices, the more I worry."

The biggest pocket-drainers for teens were dates and gas.

"I spend about twenty dollars on any given date," Bump Crowell said. "And that's not counting gas."

"Gas is probably my biggest expense," Pam Beaver continued. "I do a lot of driving, and buying gas really runs into a lot of money. It's getting harder and harder to keep up with the rising expenses."

Besides dates and gas, clothes were another big expense.

Anita Heupel explained, "I really love to wear nice things, but the prices are absolutely unreal! It's really hard to narrow my choices down to what I need compared to what I just want."

Anita Gifford continued, "I try to buy clothes on sale as much as possible, because that's just about the only way I can afford them. Sometimes I splurge on something I really want, but usually I'm pretty conservative."

As each season's new clothes appeared in stores, the prices seemed to surge upward in an endless spiral.

Rising prices were also a plague at the theaters. Movie admissions were at $3.50 at the beginning of the year.

"I really enjoy going to movies, but the high prices cause me to be a lot more selective in the ones I see," Loran Craft commented.

"I try to find out more of what a movie's about," Lori Nestor added. "That way, I can know if it's worth my money."

The rising cost of movies was due mostly to the Hollywood producers trying to make larger films on smaller budgets. This increase in price was then passed along to moviegoers.

With all the rising costs which seemed never to end, many students wondered if there would ever be an end in sight.

But, in the meantime, students continued to cope with ever-increasing prices, and in turn continued to hope for a break from the high cost of living.

Job Hunting

For many MH teens the high cost of a private education plus the ever-increasing costs of social activities and strapped family budgets has meant hunting for jobs is an increasing concern. Among juniors and seniors nearly one student in two has found after-school employment in the 1980-81 school year. Still others have sought employment only to find the poor economy has made openings scarce.

The reasons for seeking employment and the types of jobs taken have been varied. "I have a job baby-sitting." said Cherie Cochran. "Being a member of the debate team is expensive and I use the money to pay for my debate trips. My family also has a paper route which we use for extra income." For Deb Zahnd an after-school job at Arby's meant independence. "It's nice not to have to ask for money everytime you want something," she said. Scott Huffaker proved teens can plan for the future in after-school employment by working into the role of assistant manager for two area Com-Pak stores. "I started out hoping to make some extra spending money," he said, "And then, things just started to fall into place for me."

The Prices We Paid

For an Education . . .	
Tuition	$920.
School Lunches	$149.
Textbooks	$ 75.
Supplies	$ 35.
Club Fees	$ 10.
Lockers	$2.
For Social Activities . . .	
Dates (one per week @ $20.)	$1040.
Movies (one per week @ $3.50)	$182.
McDonald's etc (twice per week @ $5.)	$260.
Gas (one tank per week @ $20.)	$1040.
Recreation ($2. per week)	$104.
Records, tapes, books ($5. per week)	$260.
For Fashion . . .	
Clothes ($30. per month)	$360.
Shoes ($12. per month)	$144.
Accessories ($5. per month)	$60.
Other Expenses . . .	
Gifts (Christmas, Birthday, etc.)	$100.
Snacks (Cokes, chips, candy)	$100.

LITERALLY STRETCHED IN two by skyrocketing inflation, paper money's value steadily declined as the year went on.

1981, Remembering — It Was the Best of Times, It Was the Worst of Times.

Remembering . . .
. . . the freeing of 52 American hostages from Iran . . .
. . . the inauguration of Ronald Reagan as our 40th president . . .
. . . Philadelphia's Phillies capturing the World Series . . .
. . . Oakland's Raiders winning the Super Bowl . . .
. . . gas prices soaring to $1.50 a gallon . . .
. . . who shot J. R. and why . . .
. . . *The Empire* 'striking back' . . .
. . . TV's good ol' boys, *The Dukes of Hazard* . . .
. . . ARS' UNA concert . . .
. . .Horror movies like *Friday the 13th* and *Halloween* . . .
. . . the thousands of Cubans fleeing Castro and landing in America . . .
. . . Polish workers defying the Soviets to earn small freedoms . . .
. . . the 1980 political campaigns and conventions . . .
. . . the assasination of John Lennon . . .
. . . the 'Asteroids' and 'Space Invaders' . . .
. . . the marketing of small cars like Omni, Chevette, Horizon, Datsun, and Toyoto . . .
. . . the Voyager's pictures from Saturn . . .
. . . a time of war, a time of peace; a time of despair, a time of hope; a time of hate, a time of love; the worst of times, the best of times.

"I WILL UPHOLD the Constitution," Ronald Reagan vows as he is sworn in as the 40th U.S. President while wife Nancy looks on.

FREED AMERICAN HOSTAGES sing the National Anthem after New York ticker-tape parade. *(UPI Newsphoto)*

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Fashion

Versatility was the most important part of the fashion scene throughout the year. Students shopped for clothes that could mix and match in order to create a variety of outfits.

"Clothes have become so expensive that people are buying things that they can use in many different ways," commented Amy Williamson, a graduate who works at a local clothing store. "That's why versatility is so important."

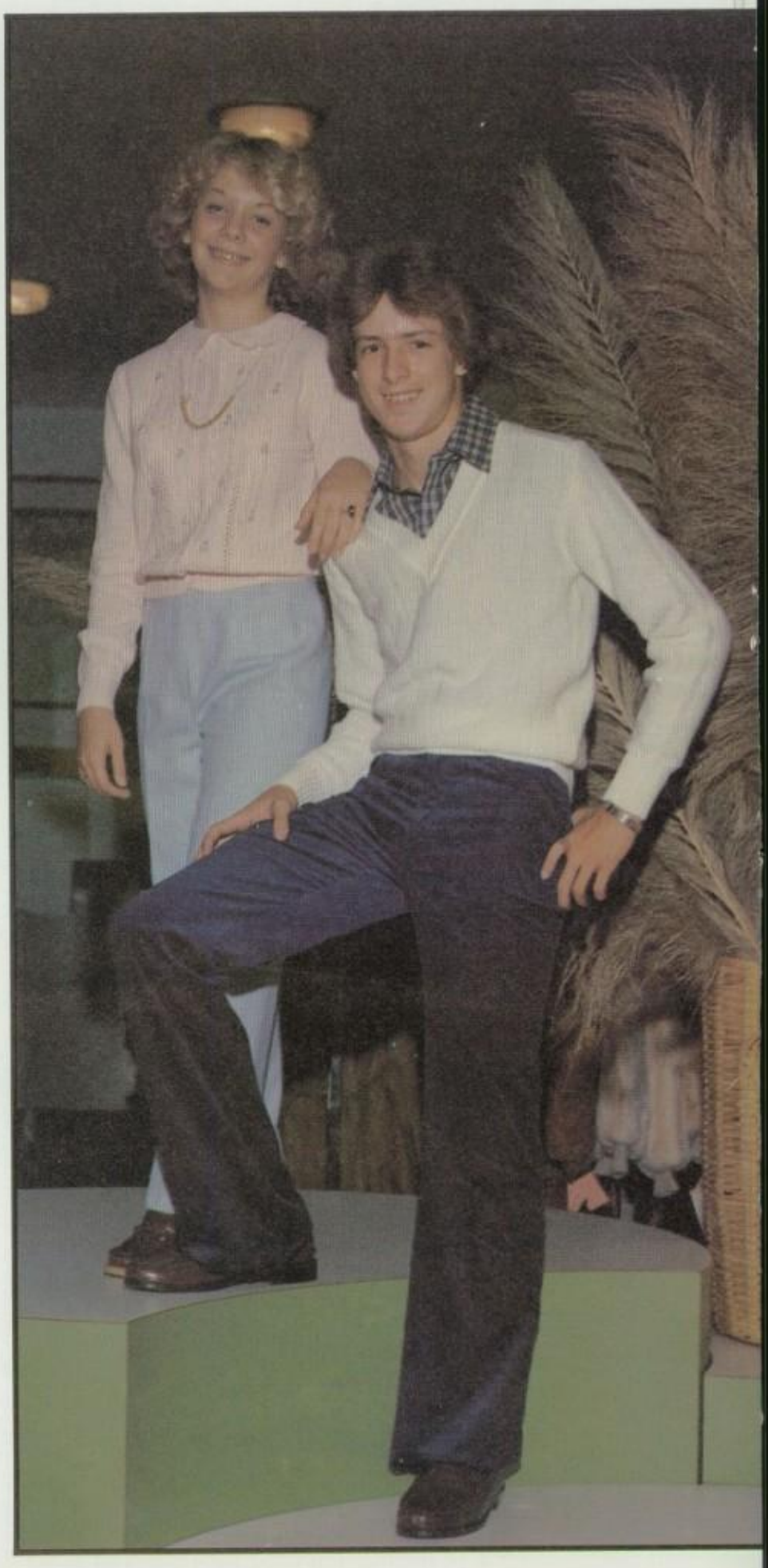
The preppy look was the dominant influence in the fashion world. Popular for both girls and boys, it featured plaids, oxford cloth, vests, blazers, knee socks, penny loafers, and all kinds of sweaters.

According to Donna Melton, fashion coordinator at Castner-Knott, preppy was popular because "It looks good on everybody. Whether you're fat or skinny, short or tall, it looks good on you because everybody looks the same."

Oxford shirts were the most versatile part of the preppy look. Worn by everyone who wanted to be in style, Oxfords were seen teamed up with jeans, skirts, dress pants, and walking shorts.

Clothes made of plaid material were also an important fashion item. Girls wore pleated plaid skirts with crew neck sweaters and knee socks, and penny or tassel loafers. Plaid jumpers and jumpsuits were also popular.

Designers got into the fashion picture by putting their name on clothes and selling them at expensive prices.



SKIRTS, SWEATERS, AND dress pants were all popular during 1980-81. Dena Fleming, Amanda Gifford, and Sondra May model top fashions.

RELAXING IN CASUAL clothes, Dena Fleming and Alan Greenwald talk together downtown.

DRESSED IN THE latest styles in sweaters and slacks, Sondra May and Price Counts pause to pose at Rogers.

1981

Calvin Klein and Gloria Vanderbilt or Murjani were big names in blue jeans, while Eteinne Aigner created leather accessories marked with the familiar "A" and made millions off everything from shoes to belts to key chains.

"People buy designer things because they're status symbols," Amy stated. "Everyone likes that feeling of prestige that comes with wearing a designer label."

The famous alligator symbol known as "Izod" became an even bigger fashion influence. Izod sweaters, shirts, pants, socks, belts and key chains were seen everywhere.

John Travolta's movie, *Urban Cowboy,* created a western look that swept the country. Cowboy hats sold like wildfire and were worn by both sexes.

According to Amy, the Western look was a fad. "John Travolta started it because people admire him. He's an example of what everyone wants to be."

Fine jewelry was once again a fashion "must". Girls searched their mothers' jewelry boxes to find old glass beads, which were strung on gold chains and worn with just about everything. Pins also regained their popularity, especially with skirts and blazers.

WITH SMILING FACES and linked arms, Alan Greenwald, Amanda Gifford, Charlotte Draper, Dena Fleming, Sondra May, and Price Counts show off the top of the fashion line. Without a doubt the first full year of the new decade was one of 'good looks'.

CLASSIC BLAZERS, PLAIDS, and lace collars were all part of the fashion scene. Charlotte Draper and Amanda Gifford act as live mannequins at Rogers.

A Day at the Movies

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FLASH GORDON
DINO DE LAURENTIIS Presents
Music by QUEEN
FLASH GORDON
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MARIANGELA MELATO as Kala ★ BRIAN BLESSED ★ PETER WYNGARDE ★ Screenplay by LORENZO SEMPLE, JR.
Produced by DINO DE LAURENTIIS ★ Directed by MIKE HODGES
A UNIVERSAL RELEASE
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STAR WARS
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LEIGH BRACKETT and LAWRENCE KASDAN Story by GEORGE LUCAS
Executive Producer GEORGE LUCAS Music by JOHN WILLIAMS
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ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK ON RSO RECORDS
NOVELIZATION FROM BALLANTINE BOOKS

Movies, 1981

Fantasyland

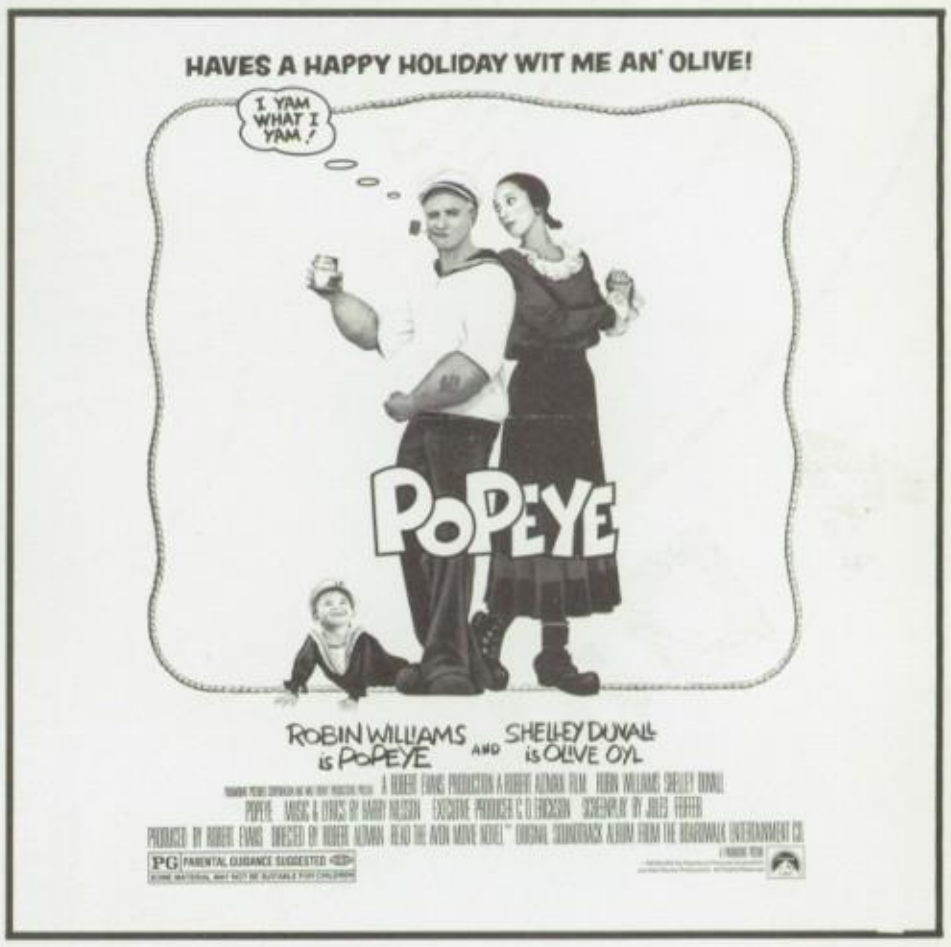
It's just a fantasy, it's not the real thing . . . " Box office appeal was based largely on fantasy. The better one's imagination the more one could get from a movie. Movies such as *The Empire Strikes Back*, *Popeye*, and *Flash Gordon* based their story-line on comic book concepts and made millions.

"Fantasy in movies gave people a chance to get away from their everyday lives and a chance to experience something that could never happen in reality," commented Tim Eades, manager of the Capri Twin theater in Florence. "They provide a two-hour release from pressures of the world."

Nine to Five was a movie based on fantasy that ultimately became reality. Starring three of today's most popular entertainers, it told the story of what every secretary supposedly wants to do to her boss.

Urban Cowboy, a typical John Travolta movie, sparked a western craze that swept the country. Utilizing western music and a Houston setting, the producers cleaned up at the box office by portraying a cliched love story.

Fantasy was the basic movie theme throughout the year, perhaps proving the idea that people must have a way to escape from life in order to live it.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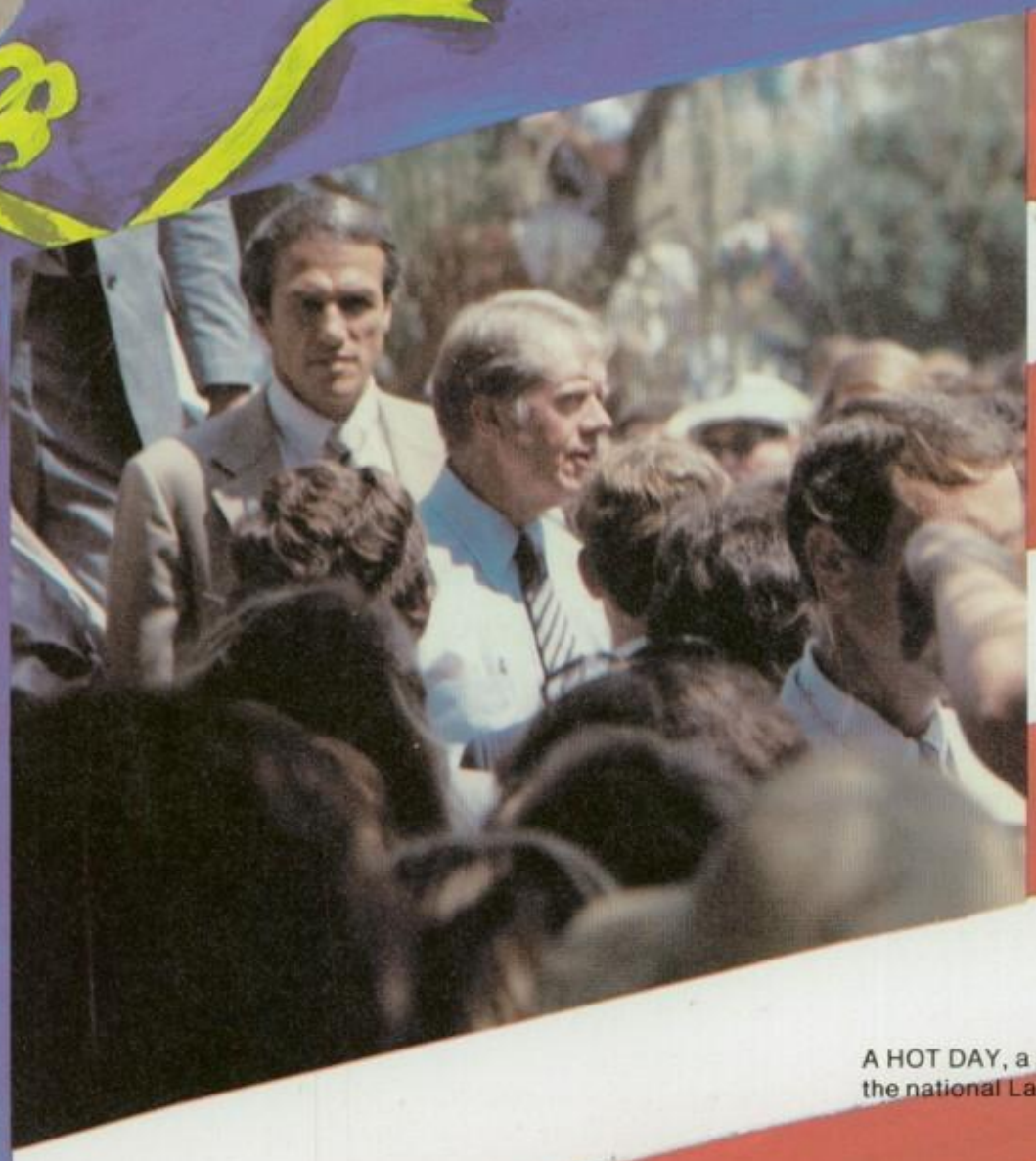
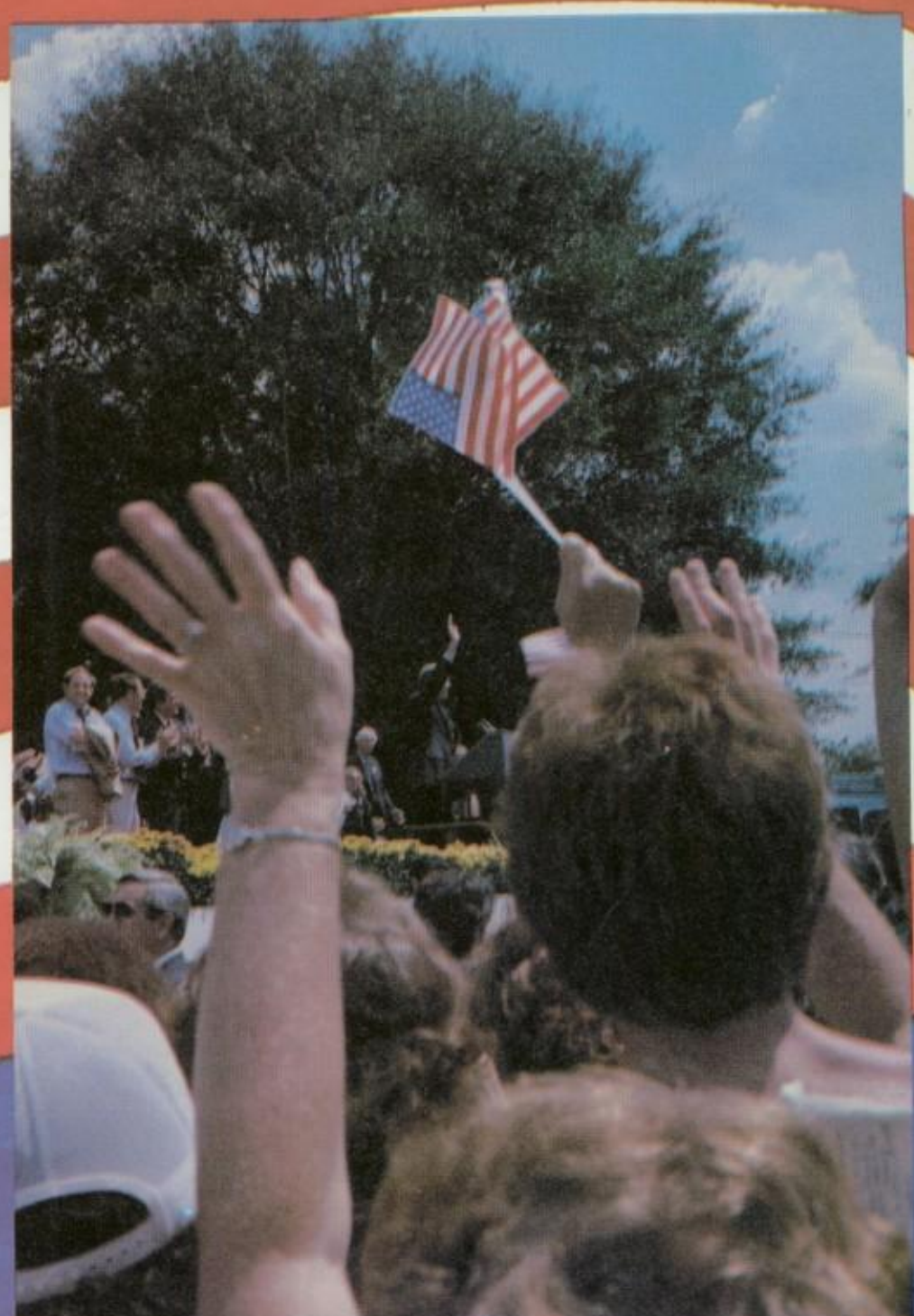


A HOT DAY, a political campaign, patriotism and Jimmy Carter put the Shoals in the national Labor Day spotlight.



the Shoals — a President Visits

It was a day to be remembered. A President came to the Shoals.

"I was surprised that Carter would kick off his campaign in a town no one outside of the Shoals area had ever heard of," Charlotte Draper commented.

On Labor Day the normal yearly routine was interrupted in a very unusual way as President Jimmy Carter visited Tuscumbia, Alabama.

About 40,000 people turned out to see the President at Tuscumbia's Spring Park. Several other political figures were also present.

The Charlie Daniels band and country star Larry Gatlin provided entertainment for the crowd.

"Actually, I thought the entertainment was more exciting than the President," Jeannie Coats explained.

The President's speech was preceded by short talks by well-known figures such as Representative Ronnie Flippo and Alabama governor Fob James.

Stating how glad he was to be back in the South, the President said that it was wonderful to hear "people that don't talk funny" for a change.

The President commented largely on the Ku Klux Klan, which made its presence widely known at the rally.

"This group of people does not realize what our country stands for," the President said.

According to Joyce Skipworth, democracy teacher, the Klan is more powerful in Alabama than is realized.

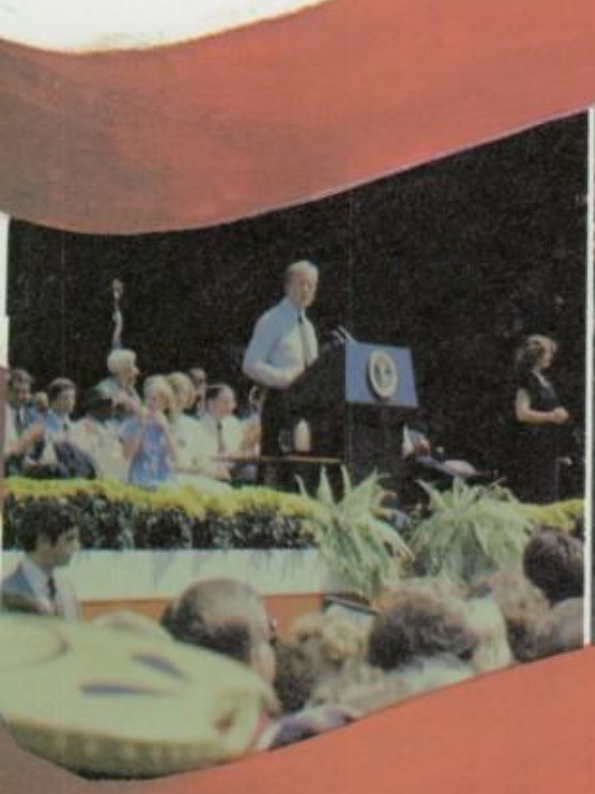
"The Klan is very influential in this state," Mrs. Skipworth explained. "It is probably more of a determining factor in this election than we realize."

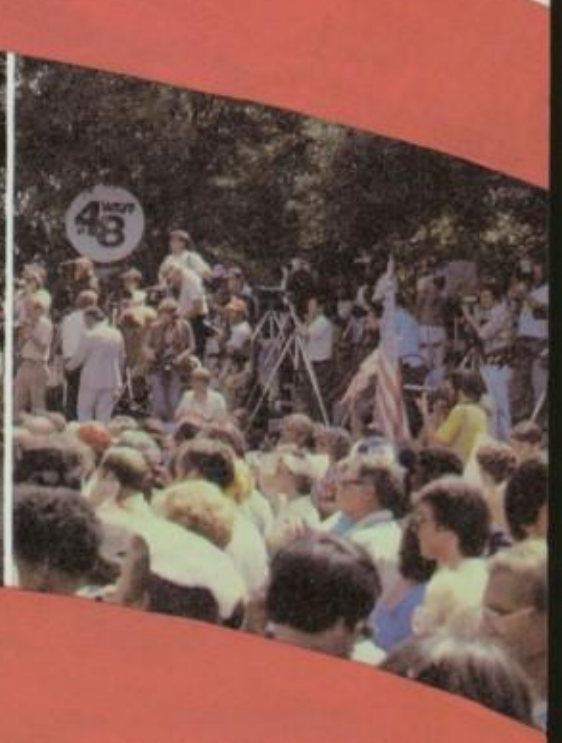
When asked why she thought Carter chose Alabama to kick off his campaign, Mrs. Skipworth responded, "I think it was because it was politically expedient for him to do so. Carter obviously realizes that the South is up for grabs in this race. Feeling he has a distinct chance of losing the South, he felt it would be wise to give us some recognition for a change."

Many students attended the rally. Greg Oliver elaborated on the experience.

"I think that it was great he came to such a small town and I think that his kicking off his campaign in Alabama has won him a lot of support from Alabamians.

"It was the most exciting thing I've ever done in my life," Oliver concluded.





A BIG DAY for the Shoals came as Jimmy Carter became the third president to visit the area. Thousands lined the streets and the media came in force.

ANTICIPATION of the season's end was evident in the eyes of senior cheerleader Cyndy Longshore as the girls' lost to Hazelwood in the area finals.

A HIGHLIGHT of the senior year came with the production of "The Egg and I" in October. Greg Oliver and Tomasue Weber spent Halloween in stage makeup rather than trick-or-treat costumes.

Things you always wanted to know about seniors

- 9 seniors were born in Florence, nine were born in Sheffield, nine elsewhere in Alabama, two in South Carolina, and one each in Texas and Oklahoma.
- Keith Robinson is the oldest senior — born March 14, 1962.
- Anita Heupel is the youngest senior — born October 22, 1963.
- Marlon Rutherford lives the greatest distance from school — 32 miles.
- More seniors ate Raisin Bran for breakfast than any other cereal.
- The most hamburgers eaten by a senior in one year was "around 500."
- One senior drank 180 gallons of milk in 1981.
- 30 seniors had relatives who already had graduated from MH, including 12 sisters, 10 brothers, eight mothers and six fathers.
- WQLT-FM was the favorite radio station of the class as 19 class members listed it their first choice of the area's 11 stations.
- Only one senior has definitely decided to never attend college.
- Ann McFall, at 5'0", is the shortest student in the class. Joel Kendrick, at 6'4", is the tallest.
- The seniors' favorite lunchroom serving was homemade rolls.
- With 41 students the class of '81 is the smallest class in the school.
- More seniors (24) have brown eyes than any other color.
- Members of the class ate the largest bag of popcorn (a 20 lb. garbage bag) at a student council movie in 1981.

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Pam Beaver, editor

Fun for '81

PREPARING TO PEEL yet another potato, Betty (Pam Beaver) reaches in her basket as Don (Stephen Bridges) tries to figure out what she is doing.

"We're the class that has the fun, we're the class of '81!"

The seniors chose this phrase as their class motto in the sixth grade, and they proved it true for the six remaining years of high school.

"I really have had fun out here," Tomasue Weber remembered. "I'll really miss it when I'm gone."

Trying to make the most of their senior year was not too hard for the class of '81. Tim Cox affirmed, "I think this year has been hilarious and wonderful. Being a senior is one big party!"

Many new experiences awaited the class as the year began. Preparations for graduation got under way almost as soon as school started. The class met to choose their graduation announcements, and later they had to fill out order blanks to get them. Caps and gowns were also ordered.

"It felt really strange ordering a graduation gown," Charlotte Draper commented. "It really made me understand how close graduation is."

The senior play was an event the class had looked forward to for a long time. The cast and crew worked for several weeks to get the play in shape, and according to class sponsor Ann Hammond, it went over "really well."

"I was really proud of the class for all the work they did. They really made the play a big success," she commented.

During the annual magazine drive, which Student Council sponsored to raise money for the school, the class won a chance to see the movie *Hawmps*. The seniors were the only class to make enough money to see the film and popcorn, coke, and candy were all brought to eat during the movie.

"It was really fun eating all that popcorn and drinking coke," Kenneth Walker said, "It was like going to a real movie during school!"

Basketball season was a special time for the seniors since they knew it was their last season. At every ballgame the seniors always seemed to be the ones yelling the loudest. Greg Oliver was usually in the middle of the crowd.

"I love yelling at ballgames;" Greg stated with enthusiasm. "This year I have yelled my loudest since I know these are my last games."

1. Pamela Dorene Beaver

2. Ivan Mark Behel

3. Billy Wayne Bretherick

4. Stephen Alan Bridges

5. Cherie Lynn Cochran

6. Timothy Wayne Cox

Homecoming was an especially memorable time for the seniors. Several members of the class worked hard on the class project, which used the theme "Panthers — Lasso the Mustangs!" The class took second place in the project competition.

On frequent mornings all through the year the class met at McDonald's or Hardee's to have breakfast. On Halloween morning some class members dressed up in costumes and went to eat breakfast at Hardee's.

"**Halloween morning** was really wild," Cherie Cochran enthused. "We got some of the funniest looks while we were eating and when we were on the way to school. It was great!"

Spirituality was a facet of the class that made it somewhat different from other classes, according to Ann Hammond. She explained, "I think the seniors are more spiritually-minded than other classes. I have yet to have a conflict with a senior that we were unable to work out."

Proving its spirituality, the class often gathered under the trees in front of the high school building to sing and have devotionals during good weather.

Nina Hargett commented, "I really enjoyed those devotionals. They really brought the class closer together and made us love each other more."

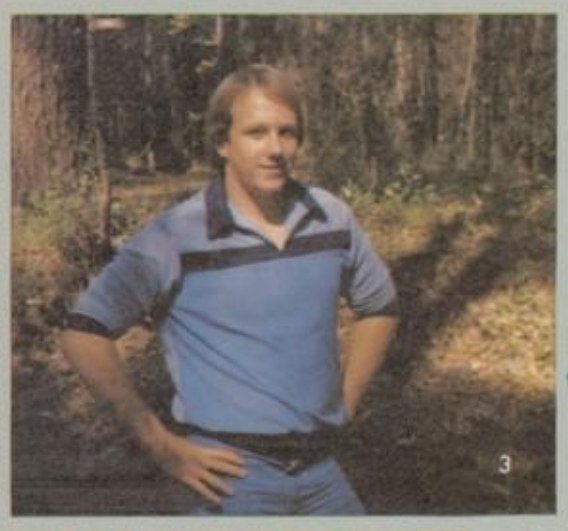
Unity was another facet of the class which tended to set it apart from other classes. "Since we know we don't have much time together, we have become closer," Suzanne Frye said. "We have spent more time together this year and we love each other a lot more."

As graduation approached, more and more seniors began to realize how close they were to actually entering the real world.

Lisa Harris commented, "I feel like when I graduate the world is going to hit me in the face. I'm looking forward to it, and yet it's a scary feeling."

Mixed emotions were common for all the seniors. They all seemed to be glad that they would be graduating and yet the class also experienced feelings of sadness and fright as they prepared to enter the "real world." Renee Terry summed up the feeling by saying, "I love being a senior, yet I'm afraid of graduating and sad because I know I'll never experience anything like this again."

REPRESENTING THE SENIOR class as officers were Suzanne Frye, president, Pam Beaver, vice-president, Donna Hester, secretary, and Renee Terry, treasurer.



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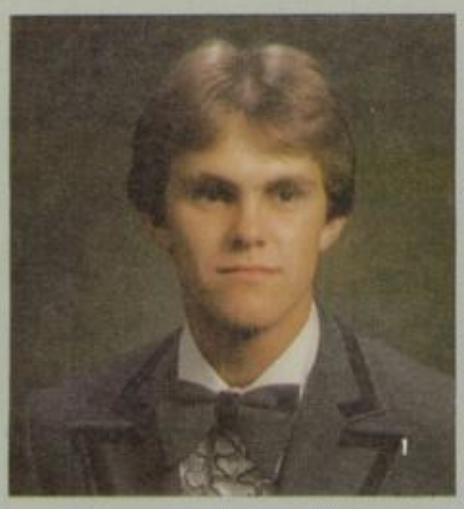

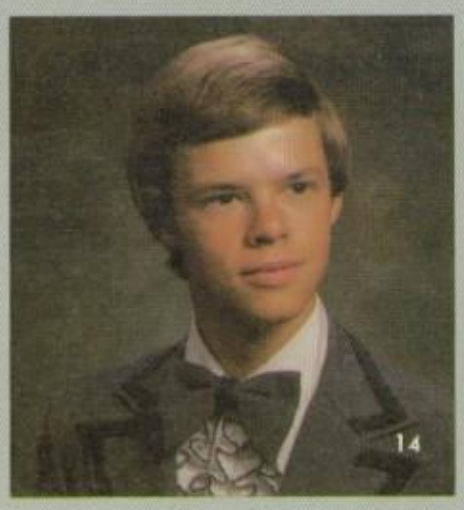

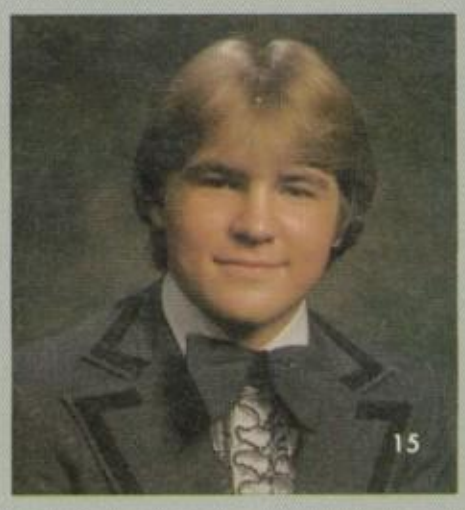

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9. Nina Mills Hargett
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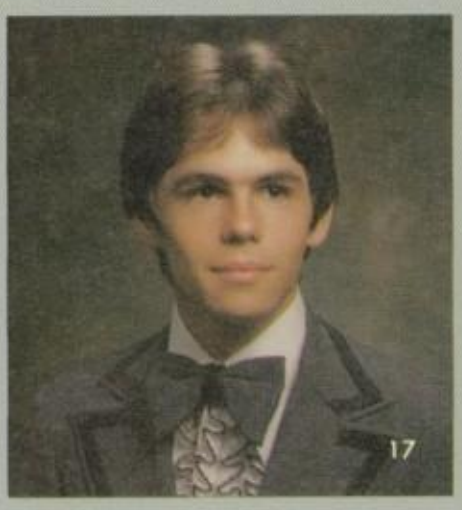

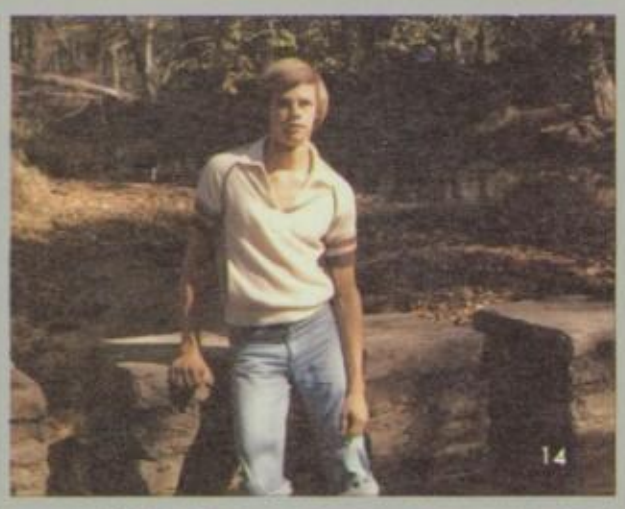

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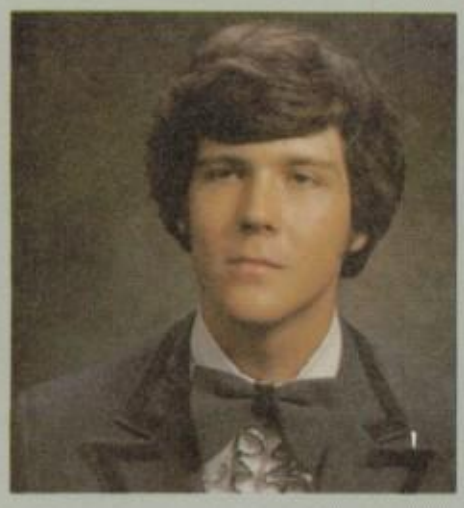

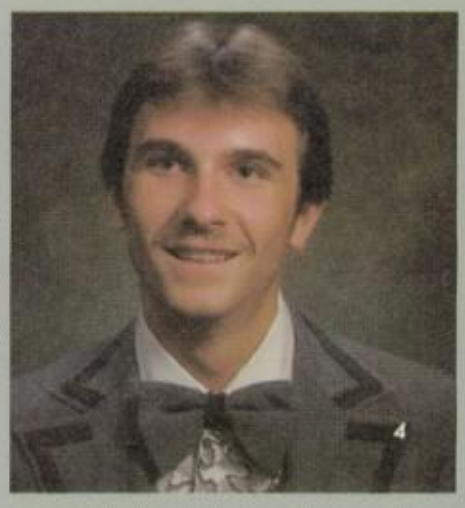

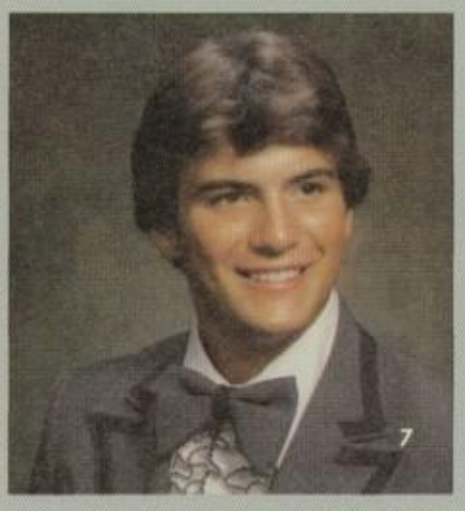

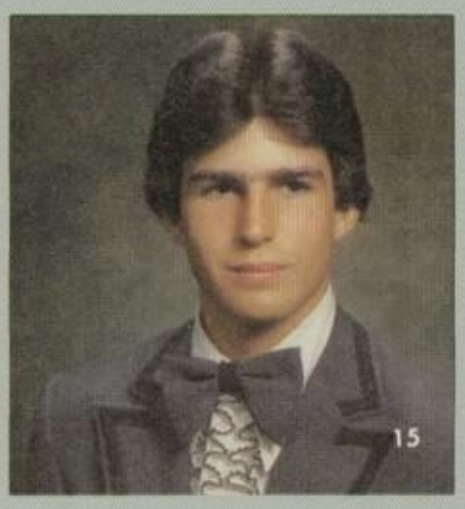

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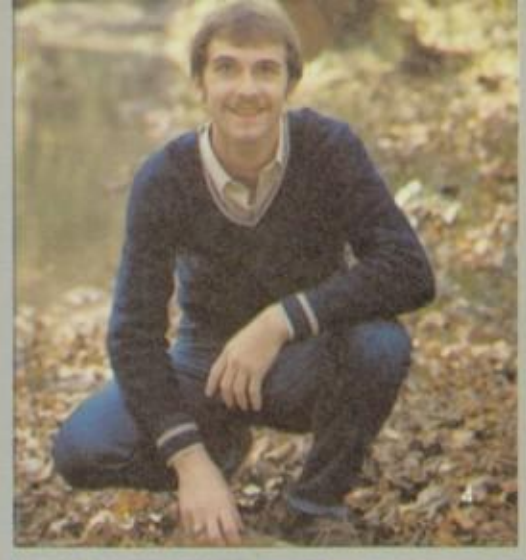

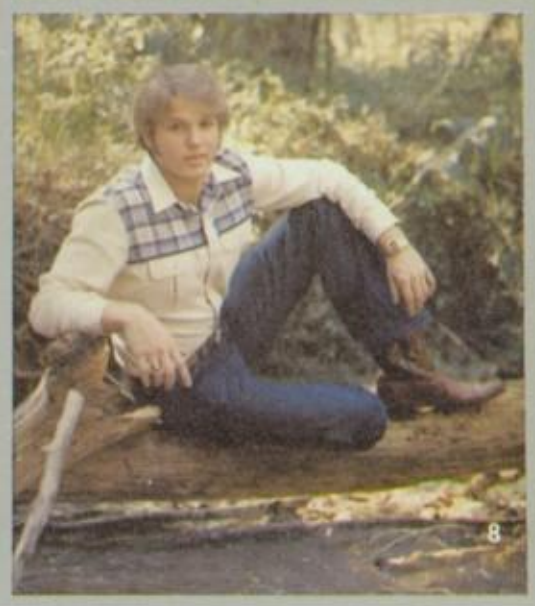

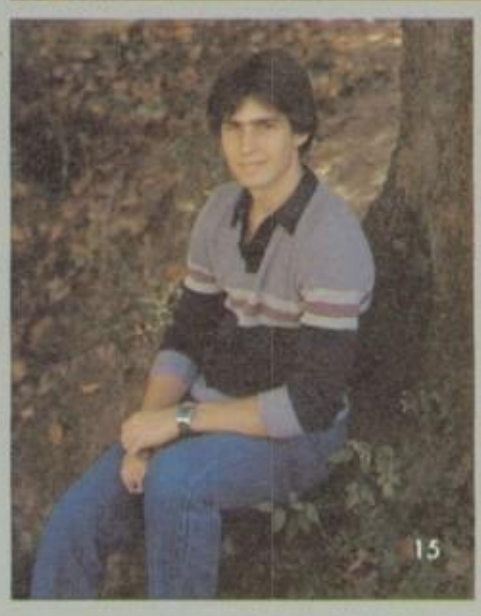

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Stagestruck!

"Good luck!"

"No, don't say that! Say 'Break a Leg'!"

"Somebody help me! I'm on in about two minutes and I can't find my shoes!"

These remarks and others like them were heard frequently backstage on the nights of October 31 and November 1 as "The Egg and I," the 1981 senior play, was in progress.

The play, written by Betty MacDonald, was about a family who moved from the city of Seattle to the country to take up chicken farming. The family experiences several hilarious adventures before everything falls together at the end of the play.

According to senior class sponsor Ann Hammond, the casting of the play was the easiest part. "It was pretty easy," she explained. "It only took blood, sweat, and tears. After we had the cast picked, the work got harder."

Ann received help with directing from her mother, Mrs. Reba Hammond. "The play was a lot of hard work for everyone involved," she commented. "But I think it really paid off in the end."

Beginning rehearsals about two months before the play was scheduled, the cast met two or more nights a week to practice.

Ann Hammond stated, "I was really pleased with the way everyone worked. There was a lot of dedication and willingness to work displayed by the cast. Almost all of the major roles were really good about coming to rehearsal whenever we had it."

Since the play was a comedy, many funny things happened in rehearsal as well as in the actual performance. "The funniest thing was when Greg Oliver put his foot in a can of blue paint," Ann Hammond recalled. "He dripped blue paint all over the place. I got in on my best wool pants and my favorite penny loafers. I went home and soaked myself in gasoline."

Another funny incident involved Tomasue Weber and a homemade bath screen. Tomasue's role called for her to be taking a bath on stage. She was sitting in the tub behind the screen with shorts and a tube top on when she noticed that the screen was beginning to fall apart. "I was sitting waiting on my cues and I could hear the nails dropping out of the wood onto the floor," Tomasue remembered. "It was a scary feeling!"

Tomasue ad-libbed her way through the scene with the help of Pam Beaver. Ann Hammond said, "I was standing behind the curtain during the whole scene with my heart in my throat ready to pull the curtain."

During practice, those who weren't on stage found many ways to amuse themselves. Roller-skating around the halls, watching the World Series on television in the teachers' lounge, and playing electronic games were all popular pastimes. "We thought up all different ways to have fun, because we were really bored when we weren't on stage," Cyndy Longshore explained.

Opening night of the play finally arrived after the long preparation. The cast and crew got to school at about five o'clock that afternoon in order to begin final preparations for curtain time. "I was really nervous the first night while I was getting ready to go on," Donna Hester recalled. "But once I got on stage, I relaxed and really had fun with the play."

"POUND OFF THE pounds . . ." Ann (Tomasue Weber) works to improve Joan's (Anita Heupel) figure by beating her on the back.

PLAY CAST

Betty McDonald	Pam Beaver
Don McDonald	Stephen Bridges
Anne	Tomasue Weber
Joan	Anita Heupel
Thad	Greg Oliver
Daisy	Amanda Thompson
Mr. Mannix	Jimmy Gann
Corinne	Cyndy Longshore
Fishface	Tim Cox
Hi-Baby	Ed Crowell
JJ	Scott Farris
Ross	Keith Robinson
Lingery Lady	Monica Pigg
Millicent Ames	Gail Tillery
Tessie	Donna Hester
Miss Linden	Rita Stamps
Ms. Grady	Nina Hargett
Larsen	Scott Farris
Paula	Carla Parker
Toni	Ann McFall
Mitzie	Renee Terry
Lolly	Cherie Cochran
Hiking Club Members:	Amanda Gifford
	Nina Hargett
Female Prompter	Nina Hargett
Male Prompter	Calven Swinea

CREDITS

Publicity and Programs	Suzanne Frye
	Greg Oliver
Seating and Ticket Sales	Wayne Bretherick
	Suzanne Frye
	Carla Parker
Make-up	Charlotte Draper
	Debbie Zahnd
	Amanda Gifford
Technical	Joel Kendrick
	Roger Holderfield
Set	Chris McCorkle
	Marlon Rutherford
Properties	Calven Swinea
Lighting	Keith Robinson
	Wayne Lewis
Costumes	Greg Darby
Usherettes	Suzanne Frye
	Janet Miles

UNABLE TO RESTRAIN his hunger, Hi-Baby ('Bump' Crowell) tries to swipe some food as Joan (Anita Heupel) shoos him away.
FIGHTING THE RAINY, damp weather, Betty (Pam Beaver) sits with her feet in the oven as Don (Stephen Bridges) comes in from the wet.

PROVIDING SOME OF the most hilarious scenes in the play, Daisy ('Minner' Thompson) and Mr. Manic-Depressive (Jimmy Gann) look typically depressed.

HIDING BEHIND AN umbrella, Joan (Anita Heupel) and J. J. (Scott Farris) pretend to do homework.

Senior Credits

Pam Beaver
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Class President — 1980; Class Vice-President — 1981; Yearbook Staff — 1981; Student Council — 1980-1981; FBLA — 1980-1981.

Mark Behel
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Varsity Basketball — 1980-1981; Co-captain — 1981; Nominated for Mr. Mars Hill — 1981; Best Christian Character — 1981; Friendliest — 1981.

Wayne Bretherick
Jr. High Track — 1978; Class President — 1979; Jr. Varsity Basketball — 1979; Varsity Basketball — 1980-1981; Key Club — 1981.

Stephen Bridges
Jr. Varsity Basketball — 1978; Track — 1978; Beta Club — 1979-1981; Homecoming Escort — 1980; Baseball — 1980-1981; Senior Play — 1981.

Cherie Cochran
Chorus — 1978-1981; Beta Club — 1980-1981; Mu Alpha Theta — 1980-1981; Debate — 1980-1981; President of Forensics — 1981; Wittiest — 1981.

Tim Cox
Yearbook Staff — 1980; Quill and Scroll — 1980-1981.

Ed "Bump" Crowell
Chorus — 1978-1981; Mr. Jr. High — 1978; Basketball — 1978-1980; Baseball — 1979-1981; Class Vice-President — 1980; Key Club President — 1981.

Greg Darby
Chorus — 1978-1981; Beta Club — 1980-1981; Nominee for Mr. Mars Hill — 1981; Varsity Baseball — 1981; Quill and Scroll — 1981; Yearbook Staff — 1981.

Charlotte Draper
Chorus — 1978; Yearbook Staff — 1979; Homecoming Court — 1980; Girl's Basketball Statistician — 1981.

Scott Farris
Chorus — 1979-1980; Who's Who Among American High School Students — 1981; FBLA — 1981; Senior Play — 1981; Best Dressed — 1981; Art Editor — Yearbook Staff — 1981.

Suzanne Frye
Beta Club — 1978-1981; FBLA — 1979-1981; Class Secretary — 1980; Class President — 1981; Nominee for Miss Mars Hill — 1981; Homecoming Attendant — 1981.

Jimmy Gann
Nominee for Mr. Jr. High — 1978; Beta Club — 1978-1981; Mu Alpha Theta — 1980-1981; Quill and Scroll — 1981; Most Studious — 1981; Nominee for Mr. Mars Hill — 1981.

David Garrett
Class Favorite — 1978; Beta Club — 1978-1981; Baseball — 1979-1981; Track — 1978-1981; Basketball — 1980-1981; Most Athletic — 1981.

Amanda Gifford
Class President — 1978; Beta Club — 1978-1981; Homecoming Attendant — 1979; Girl's Varsity Basketball — 1981; Best Dressed — 1981; Mu Alpha Theta — 1981.

Nina Hargett
Cheerleader — 1978-1981; Beta Club — 1978-1981; Quill and Scroll — 1980; Assistant Editor — Newspaper Staff — 1980; Mu Alpha Theta — 1980-1981; Miss Mars Hill — 1981.

Lisa Harris
Track — 1978; Basketball — 1980-1981; FBLA — 1980-1981; Vice-President FBLA — 1981; Beta Club — 1981.

Beth Henry
Head Cheerleader — 1978; Miss Jr. High — 1978; Beta Club — 1978; Chorus — 1978; Varsity Cheerleader — 1979-1980; Yearbook Staff — 1981.

Donna Hester
FBLA — 1979-1981; FBLA Treasurer — 1981; Girl's Basketball Statistician — 1981; Class Secretary — 1981.

Anita Heupel
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Girls' State — 1979; Nominee for Miss Jr. High — 1978; Volleyball All Tournament Team — 1980; Volleyball Most Valuable Player — 1980; Nominee for Miss Mars Hill.

Roger Holderfield
Chorus — 1978-1979; Track — 1978; Cross Country — 1978; Quill and Scroll — 1980; Yearbook Staff — 1981.

Scott Huffaker
Nominee for Mr. Jr. High — 1978; Debate — 1978; Chorus — 1978; Beta Club — 1978-1981.

Joel Kendrick
Track — 1978-1980; Chorus — 1978-1981; Basketball — 1981; Nominee for Mr. Mars Hill — 1981.

Wayne Lewis
Track — 1978-1980; Chorus — 1978-1981; Who's Who Among American High School Students — 1979-1980; Boys' State — 1980; FBLA — 1981; Key Club — 1981.

Cyndy Longshore
Beta Club — 1979-1981; Class Favorite — 1980; Cheerleader — 1980-1981; Mu Alpha Theta — 1980-1981; Nominee for Miss Mars Hill — 1981; Who's Who Honors — 1981.

Chris McCorkle
Beta Club — 1976; Baseball — 1979-1981.

Ann McFall
Chorus — 1978-1981; Homecoming Attendant — 1978 and 1980; Runner-up in Homecoming — 1981; Prettiest — 1981.

Janet Miles
Beta Club — 1978; Homecoming Attendant — 1979; Quill and Scroll — 1981; Beta Club — 1981; Yearbook Staff — 1981; Class Favorite — 1981.

Greg Oliver
Chorus — 1980; Class Favorite — 1980; Homecoming Escort — 1981; Most School Spirit — 1981; Wittiest — 1981.

Carla Parker
Mu Alpha Theta — 1980; FBLA — 1980-1981; President — Beta Club — 1981; Nominee for Miss Mars Hill — 1981; Best Christian Character — 1981; Valedictorian — 1981.

Monica Pigg
Chorus — 1978-1981; Beta Club — 1978-1981; Vice-President — Beta Club — 1981; Valedictorian — 1981.

Keith Robinson
Basketball — 1978 and 1980; Baseball — 1978-1981; Track — 1979-1981; Senior Play — 1981; Most Handsome — 1981; Yearbook Staff — 1981.

Marlon Rutherford
Class Favorite — 1979; Who's Who Among American High School Students — 1979-1980; Boys' State — 1980; Baseball — 1980-1981; Mr. Mars Hill — 1981; Vice-President — Student Council — 1980-1981.

Rita Stamps
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Chorus — 1979-1981; FBLA — 1980-1981; Nominee for Miss Mars Hill — 1981; Most Studious — 1981; Salutatorian.

Blake Stephenson
Basketball — 1978-1981; Baseball — 1978-1981; Track — 1978-1981; President — Student Council — 1980; "I Dare You" Award — 1980; Who's Who Awards — 1981.

Calven Swinea
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Nominee for Mr. Jr. High — 1978; Mu Alpha Theta — 1980-1981; Treasurer — Beta Club — 1981; Vice-President — Key Club — 1981; Class Favorite — 1981.

Renee Terry
Beta Club — 1978-1981; FBLA — 1980-1981; Key Club Sweetheart — 1981; Manager — Girl's Basketball Team — 1981; Homecoming Attendant — 1981; Class Treasurer — 1981.

Amanda "Minner" Thompson
Class Treasurer — 1978-1980; Track — 1978-1981; MVP for Area 15 Tournament — 1981; FBLA — 1980-1981; Yearbook Staff — 1981.

Gail Tillery
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Chorus — 1978-1980; Quill and Scroll — 1980-1981; Most Outstanding Junior Award — 1980; Debate — 1981; Yearbook Editor — 1981.

Kenneth Walker
Chorus — 1979 and 1981; Yearbook Staff — 1980-1981; Photographer — Yearbook Staff — 1981; Key Club — 1981; Baseball — 1981.

Tomasue Weber
Class Favorite — 1978; Volleyball — 1978-1980; Basketball — 1978-1981; Best Free Throw Percentage — 1979-1980; Who's Who Awards — 1981; Homecoming Queen — 1981.

Debbie Zahnd
Beta Club — 1978-1981; Chorus — 1978-1981; Mu Alpha Theta — 1980-1981; President — Mu Alpha Theta — 1981; Crew Member — Senior Play — 1981.

Class Superlatives

BECAUSE OF THEIR friendly natures and good personalities, the seniors elected Janet Miles and Calven Swinea as their class favorites.

REPRESENTING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, Monica Pigg and Carla Parker were selected co-valedictorians, and Rita Stamps was selected salutatorian.

Days of Our Lives

WITH A GRIMACE OF anger, Betty McDonald (Pam Beaver) yells at an unseen character during the senior play.

WITH BOREDOM EVIDENT in her face, Ann McFall daydreams during class.

IN THE HECTIC minutes before chapel, Beth Henry, Ann McFall, and Blake Stephenson take time to visit.

DONT HIBERNATE

EVEN LOSING at Tug-of-War with his fellow juniors during Punkin' Day activities, doesn't keep Scott Holley from his usual smile.

PLANNING ACTIVITIES for the junior class were part of Sydna Patterson's and Lorie Henry's assignments as they directed the class of '82 as officers.

Things you always wanted to know about classes

* There are 52 sophomores and 52 juniors. In each class there are 23 boys.
* Of the 104 students, 77 get up between 6:00 a.m. and 6:15 a.m.
* The favorite T.V. show was 'Little House on the Prairie.' It received 39 votes.
* More students were born in March and December than in any other month.
* The average student spent 3 hours per day listening to the radio. That equals 113,350 hours of listening.
* Pizza Hut was the favorite eating place.
* 72 students owned a pair of Nike's.
* 75,567 hours were spent talking on the phone.
* 53 students were born in Florence, 20 were born in Sheffield, eight in Tennessee, and four in Florida. Two (Heather Thompson and Ashley Graham) were born in California. Only one (Michael Whitlock) was born outside the U.S. (Ankara, Turkey). The other 16 were born in 13 other U.S. states.
* Lori Nestor is the shortest class member at 5'0" and Eric Bogus, at 6'4", is the tallest. (Juniors)
* 14 students have been stopped for exceeding the speed limit.
* Susan Gist (5'0") is the shortest sophomore. Roger Williams (6'3") is the tallest.
* The average class member stood 5'9" tall, weighed 162.35 lbs., had brown hair and maintained a 2.9136 grade point average.
* The youngest sophomore (Trey Harrison) was born September 27, 1965, The oldest classmate (Loralee Henson) was born February 14, 1964.

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Alyssa Ashley and Shelaine Gifford, editors

Impatience

It's the junior's plague. It's the one word that sums up the mutual feeling of every member of the class of "82".

"I can't wait because becoming a senior is one step closer to graduation!" Ashley Graham said.

Impatience coupled with excitement marks the feelings expressed by the juniors toward that day in August when they will at last be labeled seniors. They anxiously await the day when they can at last claim that front row in the auditorium for their very own.

The year of 1981 held a special determination for the juniors. They were determined to do their best at whatever was set before them. As a result they proceeded to walk away with first place in the homecoming poster contest.

CLASS LEADERS during 1981 were Anita Gifford, vice-president; Sydna Patterson, secretary; Christy Winn, treasurer; and Lori Henry, president.

Alyssa Ashley
Nancy Behel
Eric Bogus
Greg Boren
Kent Brown
Harold Buchanan

Mary Kay Bulman
Derek Burnett
Deanna Carlton
Stacy Clark
Renea Cotham
Loran Craft

Kevin Davis
Scott Deaton
Dena Fleming
Anita Gifford
Mary Gifford
Shelaine Gifford

Molly Gooch
Ashley Graham
Margaret Graham
Alan Greenwald
Howie Hall
Jolie Harrison

Lori Henry
Jeff Hensley
Jeff Hester
Scott Holley

L'Nita Jamison
Jennifer Jones
Donna Kimbrough
Charlie Lauderdale
Melinda Lewis
Mia Lowery

Lenis McGee
Mike Moody
David Nance
Lori Nestor
Sydna Patterson
Doug Posey

Aaron Sain
Tracey Sledge
Wayne Smith
Shane Staggs
Miles Stutts
Tyler Swinea

Becky Walker
Donna Watkins
Beth Watson
Dusty Wear
Donna Weems
Christy Winn

Eddie Woods
Lynne Wright
Marla Wynne

Punkin' Day was a very rewarding day for the juniors. Their yard sale project brought in $449. But the day wasn't all work and no play. The juniors ended the day reigning as the tug-o-war champions.

Their hard work and determination also resulted in the class bringing in about 3,000 pounds of newspaper in the paper drive.

As the class of "82" climbed the pyramid of their high school years, they found that they had grown closer. This closeness was especially evident in "81". Wendy's, the juniors hangout, was the scene of many memorable breakfasts. At 7:00 am the entire junior class could be seen filing into Wendy's in their "82" sweatshirts.

This closeness, however, wasn't achieved overnight. They have been through a lot together. And through it all they grew up a lot. Despite the ups and downs, the underlying feeling of the class was one of lasting friendship.

As their junior year progressed the class began to realize many things, one of which was their changing relationship with their teachers. They no longer thought of them as a "school parent", but rather as a helper and a friend. Slowly but surely the parallel lines of student and teacher began to merge.

GAINING ACCOLADES as class favorites were Dena Fleming and Dusty Wear. Both were deeply involved in class projects.

Jodi Berry
Jennifer Blackburn
Johnny Blackwell
Guy Boozer
Allison Bridges
Karen Brown

Jeff Burgess
Caroline Burleson
John Calvert
Todd Chastain
Steve Clark
Jeannie Coats

Amy Cochran
Price Counts
David Covington
Lori Craft
Gina Danley
Eric Davis

Walt Davis
Sami Durdunji
Lisa Finley
Jay Forsythe
Susan Gist
Mona Gooch

Bobby Grigsby
Kenneth Harrison

Closeness

This year's sophomores had a unique kind of closeness, which most members of the class felt had never existed before. This closeness developed slowly but surely into a true sense of unity.

Dedie Walden echoed this when she said, "We have learned how to get along better with each other."

The relationship of this year's sophomores has not only improved their campus life, but also their attitude after the three o'clock bell rings for the day. Sondra May readily expressed her feelings on their closeness outside of school.

"We all go to the ballgames and to Pizza Hut afterwards."

Since the sophomores have moved up from junior high they have become more involved in school activities. Caroline Burleson stated, "We get included in a lot more things and this gives us a chance to be together more."

A big event which brought the sophomores closer together this year was getting their drivers' licenses.

"Since we are getting our licenses, we get to be together more," Karen Brown commented.

"This year we are closer to each other than we've ever been. We used to have a specific group of friends, whereas now our friends are each individual classmate, but all in one united group," Allison Bridges exclaimed.

Unity and closeness seemed to be this year's sophomore theme. The maturity of each individual sophomore seemed to bring them closer together. As they grew they learned to accept

SOPHOMORES CHOSE KAREN Hollis and John Calvert as their class favorites.

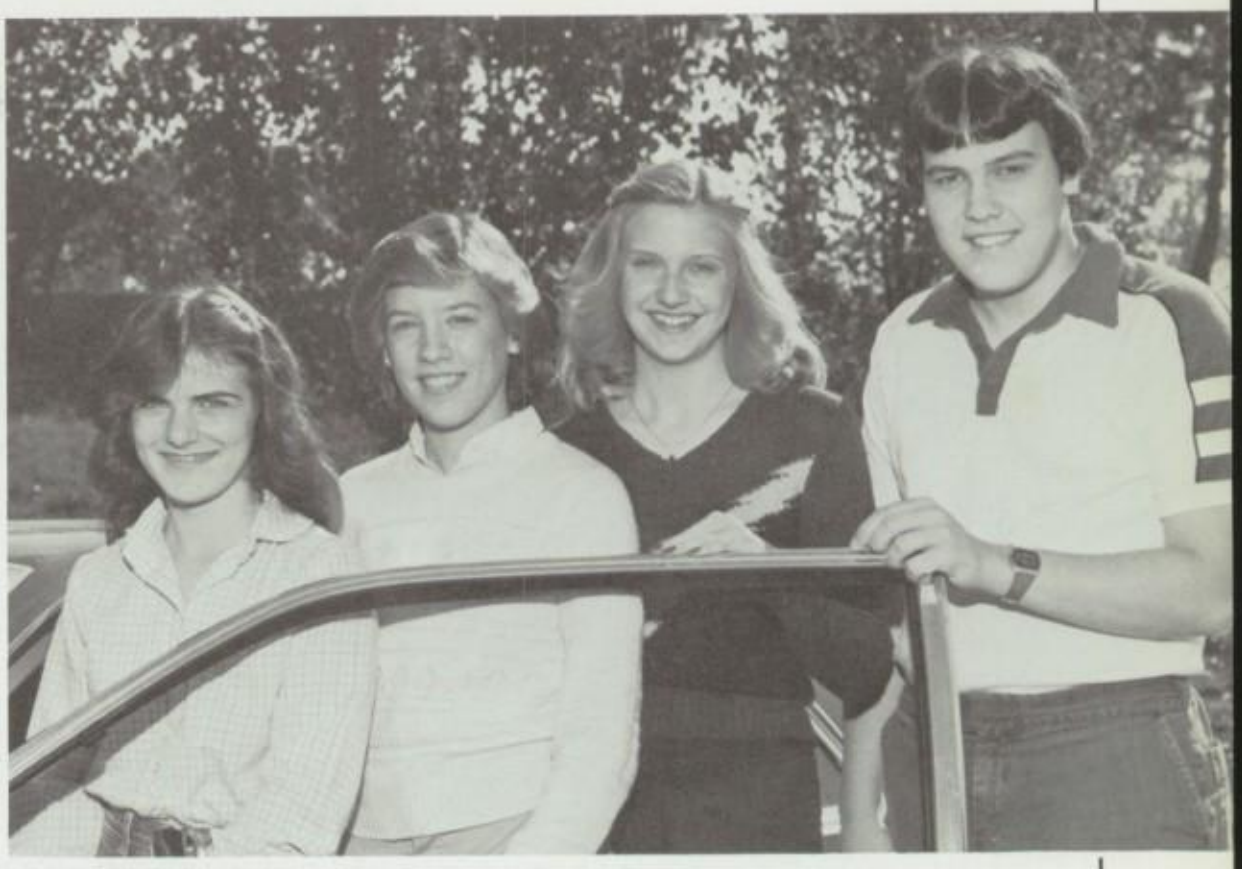
eople as they are and this strenghthened their friendships with ach individual and finally as a group.

The sophomores seemed to enjoy the pleasure of each others' resence now more than ever.

"We enjoy being at school with each other and doing things utside of school together also. We seem to have a much closer lass this year than in the years before," Marcia Jones com- ented.

Outside activities seemed to be the main concept on the close- ess of the sophomores. Not only did they go places together fter ballgames, but their activities also came on weekends, at allgames and at class parties.

Going out to eat and going to the bowling alley also added a lot f fun to their year.



SERVING AS SOPHOMORE class officers were Todd Chastain, president, Susan Gist, vice-president, Monnie McGuire, secretary, and Lisa Finley, treasurer.

Trey Harrison
Loralee Henson
Tina Hester
Karen Hollis
Susan Jeffreys
Marcia Jones

Jan Jordan
Lisa Kirchner
Susan Kirkland
Chris Letson
Ed May
Sondra May

Monica McGuire
David McWilliams
Trae Miller
Betsy Smelser
Doug Smith
Amy Swinea

Heather Thompson
Bryan Underwood
Sylvia Underwood
Dedie Walden
Michael Whitlock
Roger Williams

Cynthia Wright

Little Things Make a Difference

SHARING TIME and friends after chapel is one of the little things that make the environment here different. (Right) Kevin Davis shares a joke. (Below) Time together is important to David Garrett and Jeannie Coats.

Voices

Well, all my life I've been put down because of my so-called "shortness." (When in reality I'm just simply "untall.") Well, I'm in 100% agreement with the theme of this *Mizpah,* "Good Things Come In Small Packages." After all, I'm living proof! **Scott Holley '82**

This was my first full year at Mars Hill, and this school is so much different from public schools. I made many new friends and everyone seemed to be very close. I will never forget this. **Wayne Smith '82**

The thing that I remember most about my Junior year was when I drove the "63" Comet to school and eleven girls piled in for a ride before the bell. **Jennifer Jones '82**

I will never forget all the good times I've had with all my friends, whether it be stacking chairs or calling fire marshals, or taking trips to WZZA. **Kevin Davis '82**

I was able to get close to my friends and shared so many things with every one of them. **Mary Gifford '82**

It was really great to see our class respond to the sickness of a friend. While Susan Gist was in the hospital, we were constantly sending cards, flowers, as well as our prayers. **Brian Underwood '83**

I enjoyed seeing people work together during homecoming. It was something new for me. I really think that more people should work together to make things turn out like they did on Homecoming night. The more you work together, the better things will be. **Melinda Lewis '82**

I'll never forget the night of Homecoming when I got to see everyone for the first time since my car accident in October. Everyone was so happy and I felt so close to everyone. This school has a closeness that can only be felt by the students that attend. The people here are really special. **Lynne Wright '82**

One of the most exciting moments for me this year was when the Juniors, for two straight years, won the Homecoming project contest. We were all very proud of being Juniors, especially at that moment. **Tracey Sledge '82**

The thing that I remember most is helping to make the stage for the homecoming. We really had a fun time setting it up and arranging the tissues in the wire. It was worth the work we did when we saw how nice it looked at homecoming. **Guy Boozer '83**

When we got back from our chorus trip we all got in a circle by the bus and held hands and sang "A Common Love." It is really a special part of us! We all realized how close we had become. Then we had a prayer. Everybody was crying and we were all very sad to leave. We have really become very close to the Jacksons and the Wilhelms. They are really special people and so is everyone in our Chorus! **Allison Bridges '83**

I'll always remember the day that our chorus spent in St. Louis. We all had been goofing off all day and acting real crazy. By the time of our program that night, Mr. Jackson was getting kind of ill at us because of our joking attitudes. This made us ill with each other also. When we were singing "A Common Love" Mr. Jackson looked up and said "I love you. Do you love me?" That brought tears to our eyes and from that moment on we realized our love for him and for each other. We started having a prayer before and after each program and that brought us together as one special chorus. **Jodi Berry '83**

I will continually not forget (meaning I will always remember) all of the Serious, Non-Serious basketball games played this year. The wounds will never heal, but that doesn't bother me. I don't hold grudges. By the way, if any of the Mighty Moody team die of some strange cause in the next couple of years, I had everything to do with it! **Greg Boren '82**

The most meaningful thing that happened to me was when the Non-Serious basketball team beat many members of the high school team in full court. This showed how team work and cooperation can produce such a fantastic feat. **Mike Moody '82**

The last game that the J.V.'s played was exciting. "Spear," Harold Buchanan, had the ball stolen from him and he came back to slam the basketball on the backboard. **David Covington '83**

I remember the determination that 11 B got during the magazine sales. As a result of this we won! We received two free days from school. We were all very happy. **Deanna Carlton '82**

I'll never forget loading for the newspaper drive. We had a whole lot of fun. We got out of class and just had one class the whole day. Not only did we get out of class, but we had a lot of accidents. Guy fell off the truck and Kelly told us to slow down while driving the truck. Ken hit Roger in the head with a rake and Roger thought the world was coming to an end. Then finally, Guy was hit in the face with the Sunday Morning Edition of the *Times-Daily* and lost the lens that went in his glasses. It just goes to show how much fun you can have when people get together to help the school in a newspaper drive! **Walt Davis '83**

TOGETHER . . .

ONE OF OUR OWN, country singer Alyssa Ashley provides entertainment.

GOOD FOOD IS IMPORTANT to seniors Keith Robinson and 'Bump' Crowell. A big, juicy steak provided the main course.

LIGHTHOUSE, a singing group from Alabama Christian College, added to the festive evening.

TOP HAT AND CANE was part of Scott Huffaker's attire.

. . . ONE LAST TIME

"We will never pass this way again."

That was the theme for the 1981 Junior-Senior banquet, and it seemed to fit the mood of both classes.

"We tried to find a theme that would really express the way we all felt," Junior class vice-president Anita Gifford explained. "We felt like the Juniors and Seniors had gotten a whole lot closer this year, and we wanted to pick a theme that would reflect that feeling."

Junior singer-songwriter Alyssa Ashley wrote and sang a special song for the occasion. The song's title was the same as the banquet theme.

"I tried to write a song that would capture the feelings of the year," Alyssa remembered.

Entertainment was provided by Lighthouse from Alabama Christian College.

Gifts were given to the Seniors by the Junior class. The boys received key chains, while the girls got stickpins.

"I think the banquet was a great success," Junior class secretary Christy Winn concluded. "But I'm just really glad it's over!"

IN KEEPING WITH tradition, the seniors wrote a class will for the juniors. Greg Oliver, Cherie Cochran, and Jimmy Gann read the will.

TOP HATS, CANES, GLOVES, and hoop skirts were another important part of tradition. Calven Swinea, Amanda Gifford, and David Garrett complete the reading of the will.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET was a new and exciting event for the juniors. Melinda Lewis, Donna Kimbrough, and Marla Wynne enjoy relaxing after working hard to complete plans for the event.

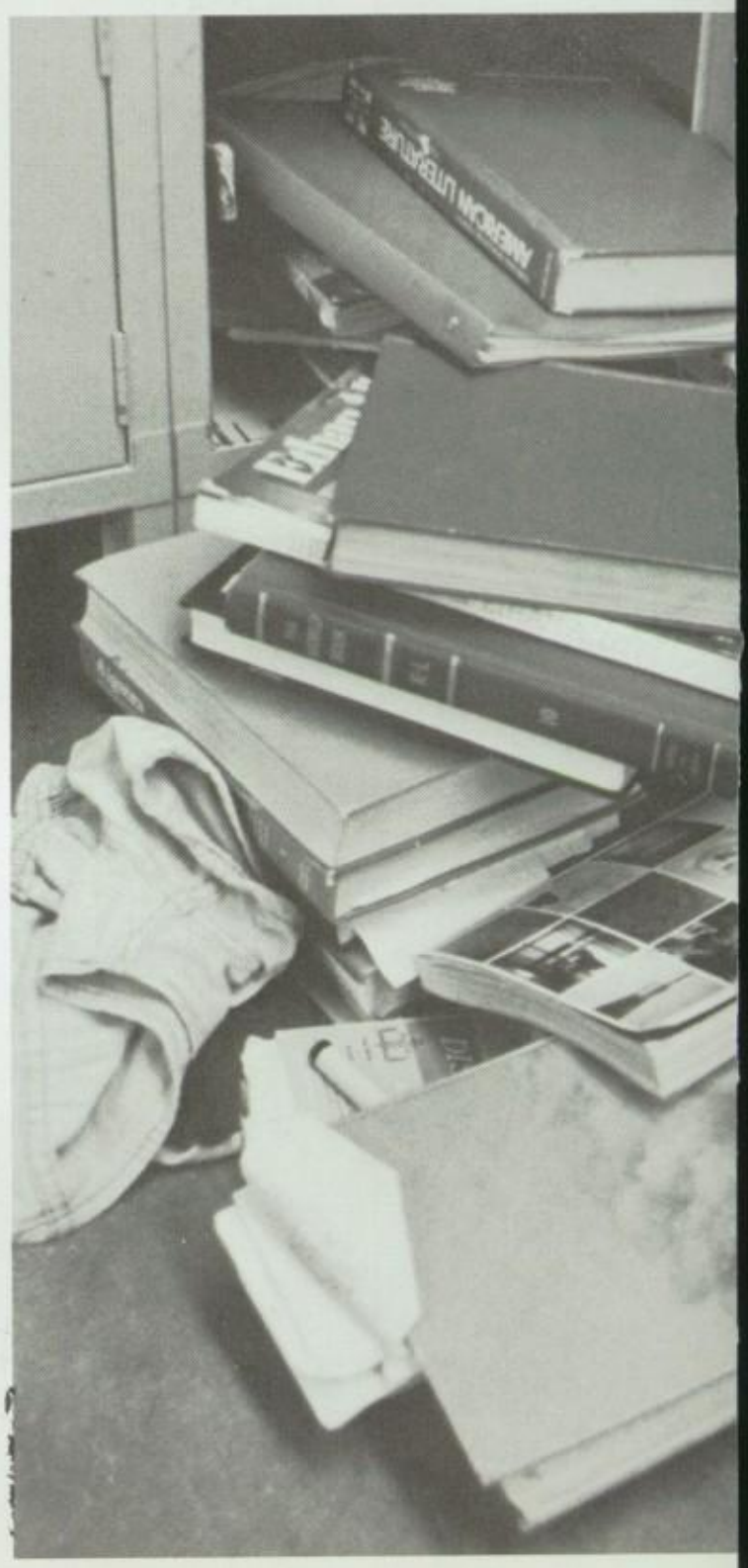
STUDYING FOR AN UPCOMING Bible test, Ashley Graham tries to remember the scientific evidence for creation and the flaws in the history of evolution.

CHORUS PROGRAMS MEANT WORK for Becky Walker and Cherie Cochran. With the new outfits, it also meant a chance to dress up.

School: A Little Work

WORK FOR ROGER WILLIAMS and other sophomores was often abbreviated. Here they pause to look at 20 year old newspapers given to the paper drive.

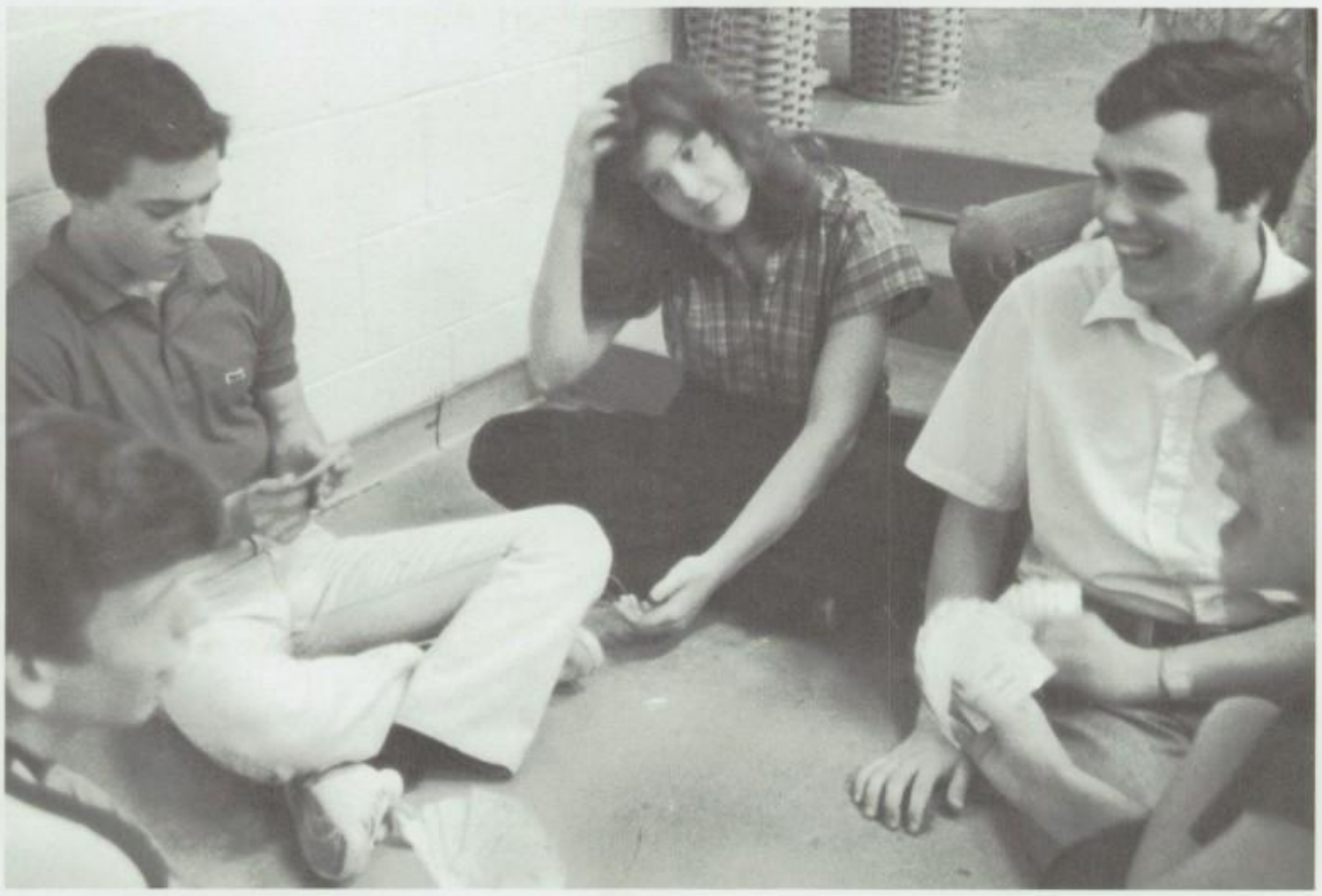
PLANNING STRATEGY for a speech class senate are Guy Boozer, Karen Hollis and Monnie McGuire. Would their resolution pass?



A Little Fun

STANDING TALL even when you're only 5'6" is junior Scott Holley at the annual basketball banquet. The chair helped.

ON THE COVER! There's more than one way to get your face on the cover of music magazines. Kent Brown, Aaron Sain, and one other demonstrate.



TAKING TIME OUT FOR ROOK was important to senior chorus members Doug Smith, John Calvert, Amy Cochran, Todd Chastain, and Karen Brown.

Things you always wanted to know about honors

*Nina Hargett, Miss Mars Hill — 1981, repeats history. Her mother, Nena Mills Hargett, was Miss Mars Hill — 1957.
*Mars Hill Homecomings have been celebrated in the Sheffield National Guard Armory, the Sheffield Recreation Center, the UNA Media Center (it used to be the old Florence State gym), Weeden Junior High School, and the Mars Hill gyms.
*In 1947-48 only one Who's Who honor was selected.
*The last time new honors were added to the Who's Who presentation was 1978 when the Student Council added Best Christian Character, Best Dressed, Best Personality, and Most Likely to Succeed.
*Mars Hill has had 23 Homecoming Queens.

HOMECOMING QUEEN TOMASUE WEBER became the 23rd MH title holder.

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Scott Farris, Shelaine Gifford, editors

Honor Is Work, Care, Giving

DECISIONS, DECISIONS! THE question of who was to be awarded the honors of student council officer was a hard choice to make for Paige Faulkner.

BEHIND THE SCENES of the Who's Who presentation, Leigh Ann Gist and Gina Danley worked hard to make the reception just right.

CLOWNING AROUND WITH a friend, Sondra May honored Ann McFall with a bouquet of balloons.

A HUG OF pride was given to "Minner' Thompson after a year of victories with Coach Beth Brewer.

Honoring One Another

Voices

"At Homecoming, the hoop under my dress was so big that we couldn't get through the arch together, so Greg (Oliver) had to let me go first. After that, he took my arm and he stepped on my dress once and I thought, "Oh, no," so I punched him and he *plainly* stepped on it with both feet. By the time we got to center court, we just rolled the rest of the way. Then I lifted up my dress and forgot to put it down and Dan Glenn got the pretty shot of the legs. Then Greg stepped on my dress again. He was just too graceful for me!" — **Suzanne Frye**

"I just really can't believe we're graduated. I mean, we've talked about it all our lives but now that we're out it just seems unreal. MH just won't be the same without us." — **Cherie Cochran, day after graduation, 1981**

"I think Homecoming this year was the prettiest we've ever had. The Student Council really worked hard and it really paid off that night." — **Shelaine Gifford**

"Homecoming was the prettiest one we've ever had. The ivy on the stairs and the crown in the air were really great. It was really well-organized too." — **Marcia Jones**

"Who's Who's decorations went over well. The rainbow really stood out and it was very pretty. The Student Council really worked hard. I felt sorry for Charlotte (Hanback), getting sick but I was glad she got to feeling good enough to get out on stage." — **Christie Bevis**

"At graduation it was really weird because of the organ making all those vibrating noises and then at the end of the exercises it wouldn't come on. It was funny because the seniors had to walk out in total silence." — **Jennifer Blackburn**

"I thought graduation was really touching because the class of '81 was the closest that's ever come through. It really made me feel great when they sang "A Common Love." That was something that I think touched everybody's heart." — **Mitzi Reeves**

"At Homecoming Eddie (Jones) didn't know we were supposed to go under the arch and it almost messed us up. It was embarrassing." — **Cindy Mitchell**

"I thought it was really good how so many people turned out to work on Who's Who. They really made it beautiful!" — **Lisa Finley**

"We all went to Wendy's in formals after Junior-Senior and everybody laughed because we looked so crazy going in a fast food place with our formals on." — **Allison Bridges**

"At Who's Who it was really funny because David Garrett had his hand held wrong when he was out there with 'Minner' and it really looked hilarious." — **L'Nita Jamison**

"Who's Who was really funny because I got my hoop skirt tied in a knot and I couldn't get it out. Gail Tillery had to pick it out with a tack and I was scared to death I'd have to wear it for the rest of my life because it took her so long to get it undone." — **Dena Fleming**

Special Honors

RECEIVING THE FIRST LARIMORE AWARD at Baccalaureate was senior Mark Behel. The award, a $500 check and a plaque, was presented by school president Jack Wilhelm on behalf of Dr. Granville Larimore the originator of the honor.

A DIPLOMA IS the biggest of all high school honors. Suzanne Frye gets hers from Board chairman Ralph Foster.

SOUNDING THE 'NOTE OF FREEDOM' for MH's 41 seniors, David Garrett writes 'Well, We Made It!' on the board in room 106. The day was special because it signified twelve years of work and sacrifice. It was 'the honor' of the year — graduation.

Valedictorians	Monica Pigg, Carla Parker
Salutatorian	Rita Stamps
Mittie Mae Pate Service Award	Rita Stamps
Harold Darnell Service Award	Marlon Rutherford
T. B. Larimore Bible Award	Monica Pigg
Business Award	Rita Stamps
English Award	Carla Parker
Home Economics Award	not awarded
Van A. Bradley Mathematics Award	Nina Hargett
Dr. G. R. Melson Science Award	David Garrett
Social Studies Award	Jimmy Gann
Choral Award	Wayne Lewis
Forensic Award	Gail Tillery
Journalism Award	Gail Tillery
Family Living Award	Jimmy Gann
I Dare You Awards	Donna Watkins, Eric Bogus
American Legion Awards	Jimmy Gann, Carla Parker
DAR Good Citizenship Award	Carla Parker
Junior High Honor Award	Jamie Wright
Outstanding Sophomore Award	Ken Harrison
Outstanding Junior Award	Margaret Graham
Boys' State Representatives	Eric Bogus, Greg Boren
Girls' State Representative	Anita Gifford

(TOP LEFT) GRADUATION BRINGS A NOTE of sadness as well as joy as Cherie Cochran says farewell to her friends.

(CENTER) LAST MINUTE JOKES were shared by Debbie Zahnd, Gail Tillery, and Pam Beaver.

(ABOVE) JOEL KENDRICK prepares for his walk across stage.

(LEFT) SENIORS CHANGE TASSELS to show they're now grads.

SENIOR CLASS MEMBERS include (front row) Renee Terry, Amanda Gifford, Charlotte Draper, Nina Hargett, Cyndy Longshore, Beth Henry, Suzanne Frye, Janet Miles, Monica Pigg. (second row) Scott Huffaker, Gail Tillery, Wayne Bretherick, Pam Beaver, Donna Hester, Carla Parker, Blake Stephenson, Scott Farris, Anita Heupel, Debbie Zahnd. (third row) Cherie Cochran, Amanda Thompson, Ed Crowell, David Garrett, Calvin Swinea, Stephen Bridges, Tim Cox, Jimmy Gann, Lisa Harris, Rita Stamps. (fourth row) Roger Holderfield, Kenneth Walker, Keith Robinson, Marlon Rutherford, Chris McCorkle, Joel Kendrick, Mark Behel, Greg Oliver, Greg Darby, Wayne Lewis. Not pictured Tomasue Weber, Ann McFall.

"THEY ALWAYS COME BACK FOR MORE," as David Garrett shows by coming back for the last piece of cake left from the Who's Who reception.

LAST MINUTE INSTRUCTIONS were given by Donna Watkins, to the flower girl, Anna Wilson and gift bearer Brock Livingston.

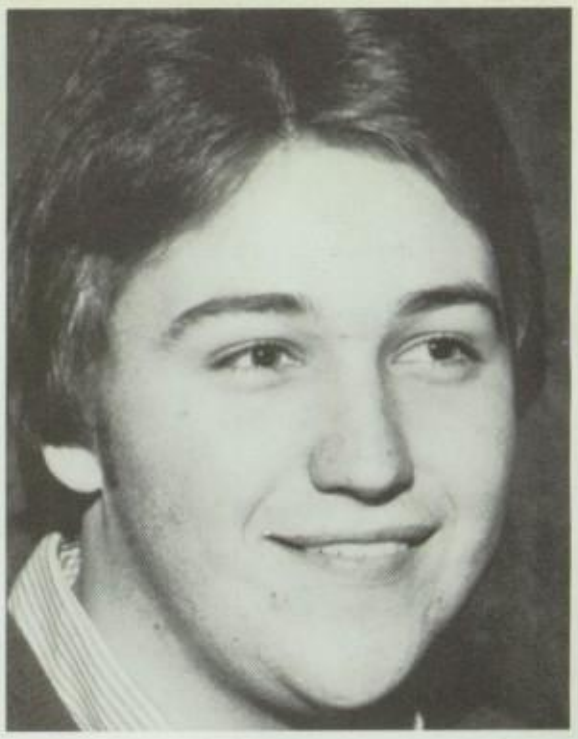
Who's Who – '81

POPULARITY IS A PART of every student's dream. The Student Council encouraged that dream when they chose "Dream On" as the theme for the 1980-81 Who's Who presentation. At 7:30 April 10, 1981, students, teachers, and parents gathered in the high school auditorium to see a dream fulfilled for students. Honorees made their appearances under a rainbow complete with a pot of gold at the end.

For past honorees, seeing the presentation was a dream remembered.

For those presented this year, it was a dream fulfilled. For younger students it was a dream for the future.

EXCITEMENT FILLS THE AIR as honorees Jimmy Gann, Janet Miles make some final preparations.



Best Dressed

Dressing neatly and attractively has long been a trait admired in and among young people. As a result Who's Who honors are set aside each year to honor those students who students feel set the pace in this area. The 1981 selections were Scott Farris and Amanda Gifford.

"Both Scott and Amanda dressed so neatly," explained Cherie Cochran. "They looked nice day after day," agreed Beth Henry. "When people look neat it makes the whole atmosphere of the class a little brighter, and a big smile never hurts to make a person even more attractive."

Most Studious

Study. Study. Study.

Burning midnight oil, cranking out term papers, aceing exams, and doing the little extra cramming so important to keeping grades high earned Jimmy Gann and Rita Stamps the accolades of their peers as the 'most studious' students here during the 1980-81 term.

"Watching Jimmy and Rita study gave me a headache," admitted Blake Stephenson. "No, seriously, they set a good example for the rest of us by taking their studies seriously. I think they realized how important a good education is for later on in life." Both students compiled GPA's of better than 3.50.

Most Versatile

Versatility was an important part of high school life. The ability to do a wide variety of things well provided a wide range of activities to be participated in.

Tomasue Weber and 'Bump' Crowell were honored with the most Versatile title by the student body.

"I think both of them really show an ability to do many things well," Jennifer Blackburn commented. "They have a wide range of interests."

Most Likely to Succeed

Characteristics pointing to success are inside a person even in high school. These include intelligence, the desire to be successful, and a talent for a wide variety of things. These are the reasons their classmates chose Gail Tillery and Blake Stephenson for this honor.

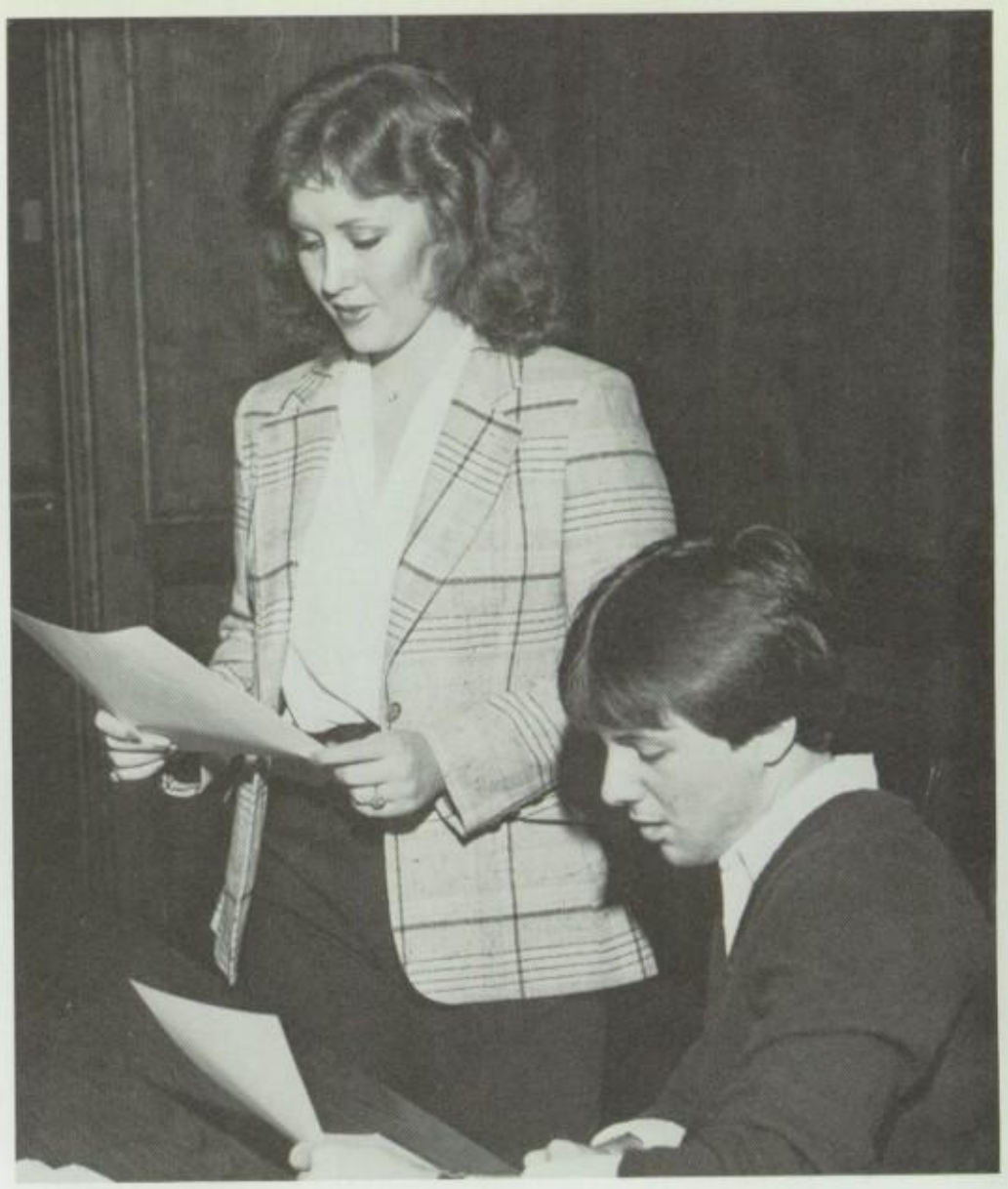
Lynne Wright, junior stated, "I voted for them because both have qualities that get things done. I think these qualities will stay with them in their future lives."

Best Leadership

In order for education to be successful someone must have the ability to lead and then assume that responsibility. Blake Stephenson and Pam Beaver were elected to this position because of their motivation and determination.

"People look up to them as leaders because of the numerous positions which they have held in Student Council," Shane Staggs commented.

"Leadership comes naturally for these two," Jimmy Gann stipulated.



Best Personality

Personality is not limited to certain individuals. Everyone has a personality of some form or fashion.

Each person has their own unique personality which they express to others. Ed Crowell and Cyndy Longshore were recognized as having the best personality this year.

"Cyndy Lonshore would be a good definition for best Personality," said Calven Swinea.

"Bump's personality was one that made him a good choice for this honor," added Janet Miles.

Best Christian Character

Mark Behel and Carla Parker were recognized by their classmates as having high morals, honesty, respect for the Bible, friends, and elders, and love for everyone.

"They're both good Christian people," Monica Pigg commented. "I think the two that were elected represent the school in the manner that many expect to see in a Mars Hill student," Janet Miles continued.

Best Looking

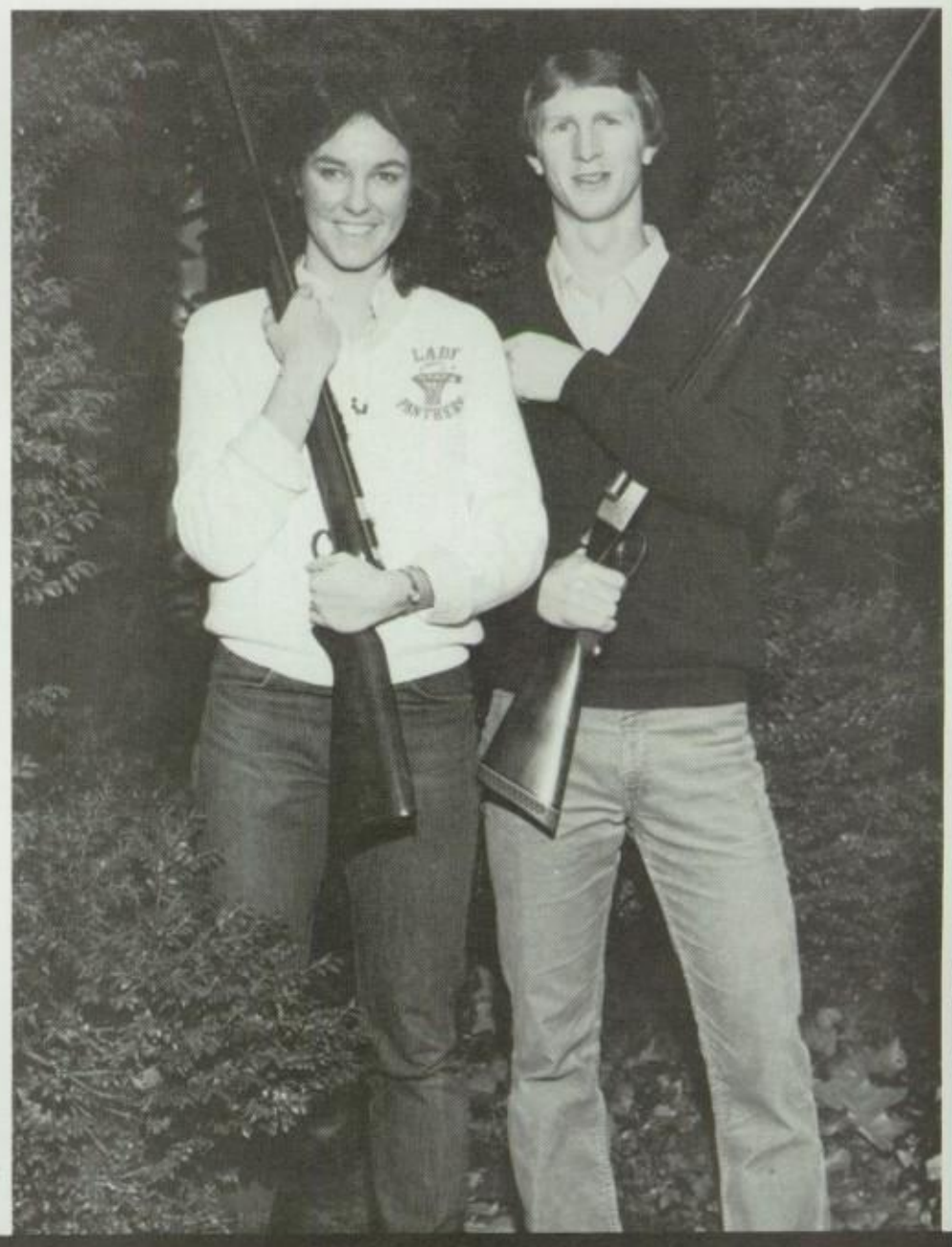
"Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder." Through the eyes of students, Ann McFall and Keith Robinson were the top choice. In today's society attractiveness is one of those traits that people work to obtain. Peers look up to those and often think more of a person who tries to look their best at all times. Because of their good looks, students picked Ann and Keith as "Prettiest" and "Most Handsome."

Most Athletic

Athletics require talent, stamina, enthusiasm, and a burning desire to compete. For Amanda 'Minner' Thompson and David Garrett it has been a major part of their life. Both have been actively involved in the sports scene since junior high, both have participated in several different sports, both have achieved, and both have been examples to their team, their friends, and their school. Amanda's key sports have been volleyball and basketball. David chose the hoops and baseball. Their peers named them "Most Athletic."

Best School Spirit

Keeping students in the best possible frame of mind, promoting support of school activities, and causing others to feel happier by merely being around them earned Cydny Longshore and Greg Oliver the respect of their peers and the honor of having the "Best School Spirit." "Just being around Cyndy made people smile," said Christy Winn. "And who couldn't after listening to one of her chapel announcements or watching her in one of the skits." Greg prompted the same type response from Lisa Harris. "He always kept us laughing and in a better spirit," Lisa said.



Friendliest

Friendly smiles and genuine concern for other people were the traits seen in Tomasue Weber and Mark Behel which prompted students to elect them as "Friendliest."

"Tomasue is just a friendly person," Cherie Cochran commented. "She's usually got a smile on her face, and she always seems to express a real interest in everyone."

Scott Farris said, "Mark really is a great guy. He always speaks to everyone and he always shows concern for his fellow students, even if they're not his closest friends."

Being friendliest meant always being ready to lend a helping hand.

"Mark and Tomasue are both very helpful to everyone," Donna Hester said.

Wittiest

"They're just too witty for us!"

As one of the favorite sayings floating around school during the year, this phrase was used to describe those students who made people laugh.

Cherie Cochran and Greg Oliver were the students chosen by their fellows who best represented the characteristics of wit.

Every day throughout the year, Cochran and Oliver could be seen and heard in the halls, classes, and gym, constantly looking for ways to create humorous situations.

Jolie Harrison continued, "Greg is one of the funniest people I've ever seen in my whole life. He's always doing crazy things. He really knows how to cheer people up."

Because of their inherent traits that enable them to make people happy, students honored Cherie and Greg with the title of "Wittiest".

Ideal Students

Known as the highest honors a student can achieve while attending the school, the honors of Mr. and Miss Mars Hill represent the highest ideals of the school.

The students who receive this honor are those who show the truest Christian character in the senior class.

Nominees for the honors are first chosen by the faculty, and then voted on by the student body.

Nina Hargett was a cheerleader for 6 years. She was a member of both the Junior and Senior High Beta clubs, and class favorite in seventh grade. She was a member of Mu Alpha Theta, a member of Quill and Scroll, and assistant editor of the newspaper in eleventh grade.

"I was really surprised and excited when I was elected Miss Mars Hill," Nina said. "It's a great honor that I never thought I would acheive."

"Mr. and Miss Mars Hill are to reflect the ideals of Christian character. They should represent what the school stands for, what its founders wanted to produce. They represent, in 1981, what we want others to be."

(R. Lumpkins, S. Council Sponsor)

Marlon Rutherford was class favorite in the tenth grade. Also in the tenth grade he was a Homecoming escort and host at the Junior-Senior banquet. He was Vice-President of the Student Council in the eleventh and twelfth grades. He was a member of the Key Club and a member of Mu Alpha Theta.

"I felt deeply honored to be chosen as Mr. Mars Hill," Marlon commented. "I felt really grateful to the students for giving me the honor. I hope I'll always live up to their ideas."

Mr. and Miss Mars Hill

To Be Nominated Is, in Itself, a Great Achievement

Though only two seniors can receive the distinct honor of being elected Mr. and Miss Mars Hill, twelve students receive a nomination.

In a preliminary election faculty members nominated these twelve students on the basis of Christian character, grade point average, and reflection of the school's ideals.

"I was very honored that the teachers thought enough of me to nominate me," Rita Stamps commented. "It was really a nice surprise."

For the faculty, the nominations were hard decisions. Mary Alice Wilhelm commented, "It was very hard to narrow the choice down to twelve people. There were several more who also fit the qualifications, so it was really a difficult choice."

After the faculty had finished their nominations, the nominees' names were announced to the student body and they were allowed to place the final vote.

In preliminary voting, the field was narrowed to two boys and two girls, Nina Hargett and Cyndy Longshore, and Marlon Rutherford and 'Bump' Crowell.

"I was surprised and pleased to make it into the runoff," Cyndy Longshore remembered. "I just couldn't believe it!"

Crowell added, "It was really exciting to see my name on the run-off list. I was stunned. It just overwhelmed me to know that I had made it to the run-offs."

To all of the nominees, being nominated was as high an honor as the title itself.

"It was really a great feeling just to receive the nomination," Carla Parker said. "To me, just being nominated was a high honor."

"Being nominated was really an honor for me," Anita Heupel added. "It meant that the faculty had a good opinion of me, and to me, that's as important as having the students' approval."

All of the nominees also expressed a deep love for the

NOMINEES FOR MR. and Miss Mars Hill included Rita Stamps and Greg Darby, and Suzanne Frye and Jimmy Gann.

Nominees

school and its principles.

"I really love MH a lot," Joel Kendrick explained. "I think it's the best school in the area."

Cyndy Longshore added, "I love MH. It means a lot to me to come to this school and be with other Christians."

Since most of the nominees had attended school here for several years, they demonstrated a heart-felt respect and appreciation for the faculty, staff, and their fellow students.

"I think coming here has really made me a better person," Mark Behel said. "There is a very caring atmosphere here that is hard to find in any other school."

Mr. and Miss Mars Hill Nominees

Suzanne Frye continued, "The faculty here really cares what happens to each and every student. They're always willing to help you out, and they really have a caring attitude."

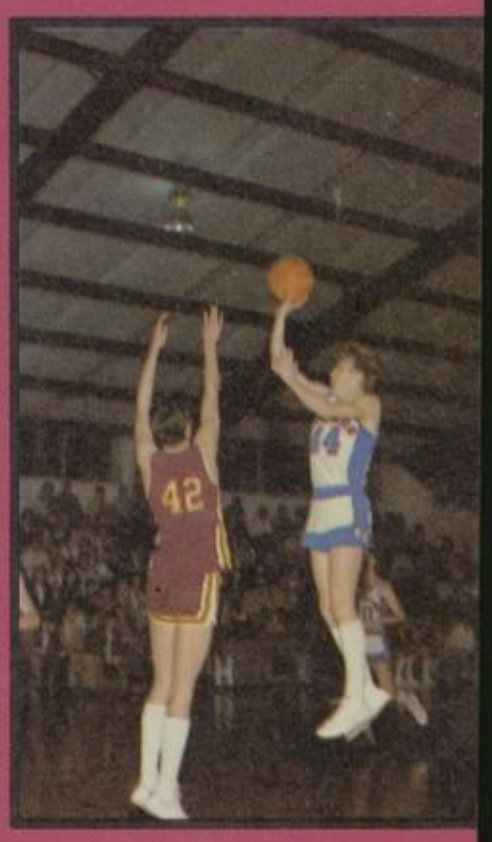
To each nominee, even though they didn't achieve the highest honor, they met a high goal by being nominees.

OTHER NOMINEES FOR Mr. and Miss Mars Hill were Carla Parker and Mark Behel, Anita Heupel and Joel Kendrick, and Cyndy Longshore and Bump Crowell.

Homecoming

HOMECOMING festivities featured the Queen and her court. Tomasue Weber reigned as queen. Jr. high representatives include Lisa Hamm, Emily South, Molly Rutland, Angela Longshore, Diane Easley. (Not pictured Cindy Mitchell) Escorts were Paul Corfman, Eddie Jones, Brian Price, Joe Walker, Ricky Howard, and David Hargett. Senior attendants were Mia Lowery, Jolie Harrison, Suzanne Frye, Renee Terry, Ann McFall, Marcia Jones, and Sondra May. Escorts were Miles Stutts, Charlie Lauderdale, Greg Oliver, 'Bump'' Crowell, Blake Stephenson, Todd Chastain, and Price Counts. The juniors won the poster contest by 'Branding the Mustangs.'

WITH EYES GLUED to the goal, Jolie Harrison and Lisa Harris struggle to grab down a rebound in the Homecoming game with Madison Academy.



AS DONNA WATKINS looks on, Minner Thompson leaps for a lay-up against the Mustangs.

HOLDING THE BALL poised in the palm of his hand, Mark Behel aims for the goal.

Things you always wanted to know about groups

*Mu Alpha Theta is the smallest club on campus. It has 10 members.
*Beta Club is the largest club. It has 44 members.
*The chorus, yearbook and debate team are the oldest campus organizations. They each began in 1947.
*The overall grade point average of the Beta Club's 44 members is 3.63.
*The student council held the most meetings of any organization — 20.
*111 students are members of the three choruses. 29 are sopranos, 42 are altos, 17 are tenors, and 23 are basses.
*Members of the debate team travelled a cumulative 25,920 miles in 1981.
*30 years ago, MH had seven music groups and four clubs. There were 310 students involved. Linville Hanback was a member of two music groups and three clubs.
*20 years ago, there were two music groups and nine clubs. The most unusual club was the Gyro Club.
*10 years ago, MH had two music groups and five clubs. Beth Brewer was a member of the chorus.

STUFFING CHICKEN WIRE for the Student Council Homecoming project occupied Melinda Lewis' time in November.

GRIMMACING after returning a serve in the Key Club ping pong tournament is Blake Stephenson.

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TYING PEOPLE TOGETHER

*Student Council
*Key Club

Groups.

People working together.

People sharing common interests

People being brought together and enjoying one another's company.

Mars Hill organizations have always been a key part of school life. 1981 was no exception. People were cemented together by their desire to serve others, by their ability to lead, by their love of music and speaking, by excelling in certain areas of school life.

Because MH is a small school, many students were members of three or more organizations. It meant that all the groups were closer together, meshed into a single unit. Schedules and activities for one group were never prepared without consulting with others. Even then, unavoidable conflicts sometimes arose.

"The state forensic tournament and the David Lipscomb Choral Festival fell on the same weekend," explained forensic director Kenny Barfield. "And so many forensic students could not attend both. That was a shame and a disappointment, but neither Al Jackson (choral director) nor myself could do anything to change the schedules."

Other conflicts arose over the use of the auditorium, the stage, the school van, and trips. All were resolved, though each conflict meant some students missed some activities.

Still, most students and faculty realized that there were values in students participating in several different activities. "Our students seem to be more versatile and well-rounded than do students from some of the larger schools," Barfield added. "They have a lot of opportunities because our school is small and, as a result, they are exposed to so many more areas of interest."

Students seemingly agree. "If I were in a public school I wouldn't have had as many opportunities to participate as I did here," said junior Jeff Hester. "In another school I might never have been a member of the Key Club, but here you know everyone in the clubs and when your friends are members it makes it easier for you to get involved."

Another value in the organizations was the effort to do whatever was attempted in an excellent way. Striving for superiority was a school trademark. The Key Club worked to be among the best clubs in North Alabama in its first year, the MIZPAH aimed at an All-American or even a Trendsetter rating, the debaters consistently brought home trophies, and 4-H students were among the best in the county.

"I appreciate the effort put forth by so many of our groups here to be the best they can be," Barfield added. "I have always heard that Christians are to do the very best they can at whatever they attempt.

"It's an old cliche, but anything worth doing is worth doing well and most groups

THE ANNUAL blood drive was one of several Council projects aimed at helping others. Amanda Gifford and Mrs. Olie Tillery give blood with encouragement from Cyndy Longshore and Scott Farris.

SERVING IN THE student council are (first row) Donna Watkins, Marlon Rutherford, Mia Lowery, Chris Williams, Roger Garrett, Eddie Jones, Cindy Mitchell, (second row) Todd Chastain, Susan Gist, Angela Longshore, Jennifer Miles, (third row) Suzanne Frye, Pam Beaver, Anita Gifford, Lorie Henry, (not pictured), and Ron Lumpkins, sponsor.

BEGINNING MEMBERS OF the Key Club are (first row) Wayne Lewis, Jeff Burgess, Bump Crowell, Calven Swinea, Blake Stephenson, Jeff Hester, Scott Holley, Dusty Wear, (second row) Renee Terry, Christy Winn, Sondra May, sweethearts, (third row) Loran Craft, Harold Buchanan, Chris Letson, Ken Harrison, Doug Posey, Eddie Woods, Marlon Rutherford, Kenneth Walker, Walt Davis, Roger Williams, and Carl Seigenthaler, Jr., sponsor.

really do a good job considering their limited finances."

Finances are a problem. In fact every organization felt that a lack of resources kept them from doing even more. "We wanted to do more this year, but we just didn't have the money," Key Club treasurer Jeff Hester explained. "The school has so many fund raisers that the clubs are limited in what they can do to get money for their projects."

Even with the limits, however, most groups found enough financial support to maintain active programs.

Student Council members, for example, raised funds through newspaper and aluminum can drives, motion pictures, magazine sales, and other sources. They were able to pay for the covered passageway to the gym and a new movie projector while providing decorations for Homecoming and Who's Who.

Key Clubbers sponsored a student-faculty basketball game, a canned-food drive, a ping-pong tournament and a softball tournament. As a result they were able to help provide food for the Alabama Sheriff's Boys' Ranch and turn over funds to the Booster's Club to help reduce the indebtedness on the new gym.

Members of the Student Council are automatically members when they are elected president or vice—president of their respective classes.

"A number of years ago it was decided to use class officers because they are the ones their classes feel would be the best leaders, "It's worked pretty well."

Key Clubbers were chosen for membership by invitation. "Since this was our first year and the club is a service-oriented group, the members were invited to join after faculty recommendations," said sponsor Carl Seigenthaler, Jr.

GATHERING NEWSPAPERS DURING the paper drive are student council members Mia Lowery, secretary-treasurer, and Marlon Rutherford, vice-president.

OFFICERS OF THE Key Club are (first row) Jeff Hester, secretary, (second row), Calven Swinea, treasurer, Bump Crowell, president, and Blake Stephenson, vice-president.

KEY CLUB SWEETHEARTS elected by Key Club members are Renee Terry, Christy Winn, and Sondra May.

WORKING INTENTLY, CHRISTY Winn helps with painting a "spirit sign" for the junior class Homecoming project which led them to first place in the sign contest.

Council Guides,

It was an active year and the council took the lead.

From the magazine sales in August to elections and Who's Who presentations in late April, the student council led the way for MH students.

Even with 40 less students than the year before and a local economy that was the hardest hit in the state, council members and officers prodded the students to a record $32.972.55 in sales. Dale Davis led the way with $460.49 in sales and 33 students exceeded $100. The sales brought $13,189.02 into the school's treasury.

"We were pleased with the results this year," said council president Donna Watkins. "All things considered we did well. A lot of the students really worked hard and a number of faculty members gave up their free time to help as well."

Other projects undertaken by the council benefitted those outside the school as well.

The group sponsored a visit by the 'Bloodmobile' in early September and 60 pints of blood were given. "This is one of our most important projects," said sponsor Ron Lumpkins. "It's a service we perform for others and it helps us realize how important all men are to each other."

An additional drive in December pro-

STUDENTS WERE TREATED by the student council on February 3 to "The Muppet Movie." It was shown during third and fourth periods.

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Starring The Muppet Performers JIM HENSON · FRANK OZ · JERRY NELSON · RICHARD HUNT · DAVE GOELZ

Serves, Governs

duced $100 to send to North Alabama Children's Home and Childhaven.

Most of the year was taken up in a continuous newspaper drive netting nearly 10 tons of paper. Money from the sale of the papers paid for the covered passageway to the gym and a new movie projector for the school.

The freshmen won the first drive, bringing in 1563 pounds of papers to 1523 pounds from the seniors and 1298 from the juniors.

Other council projects included a student-faculty talent show in the fall, the sponsoring of several films including "The Muppet Movie" in January, and the presentations for Homecoming and Who's Who.

All in all, that meant a lot of hours spent by council officers, members, and their sponsor.

"It takes a lot of time at school," admitted secretary Mia Lowery. "And usually signs and posters have to be taken home as well. But I think I learned a great deal from the experience and, to me, that by itself is worth all the trouble."

Sponsor Rom Lumpkins also feels the pull of his time. "At the beginning of the year, the magazine drive takes four or five hours a day. After that, there's a lot of time spent during the week of Homecoming and Who's Who and then the newspaper drive requires around five hours per week as well."

"The Talent Show was a lot of work this year," Mia added. "All the prizes had to be arranged and then picked up and a lot of phone calls and organization went into the show. Programs had to be designed and printed and the acts had to be screened. Of course, it did prove to be one of our major sources of income for the year, too."

"We have been lucky though," Watkins said, "because we have had good response from a lot of the students and most of the council officers. I've been fortunate, too, to have two officers working with me (Marlon Rutherford and Mia Lowery) who really helped get things done."

Most students seem to feel that the council has been a guiding force for the school this year.

A survey of 70 upperclassmen revealed that 71% felt the organization had "served the students well" while only 14% believed the group had "failed to serve its purpose." The other 15% had no opinion.

"I think they've done a good job," said Nancy Behel. "At least you didn't hear many complaints about them and I guess that means something."

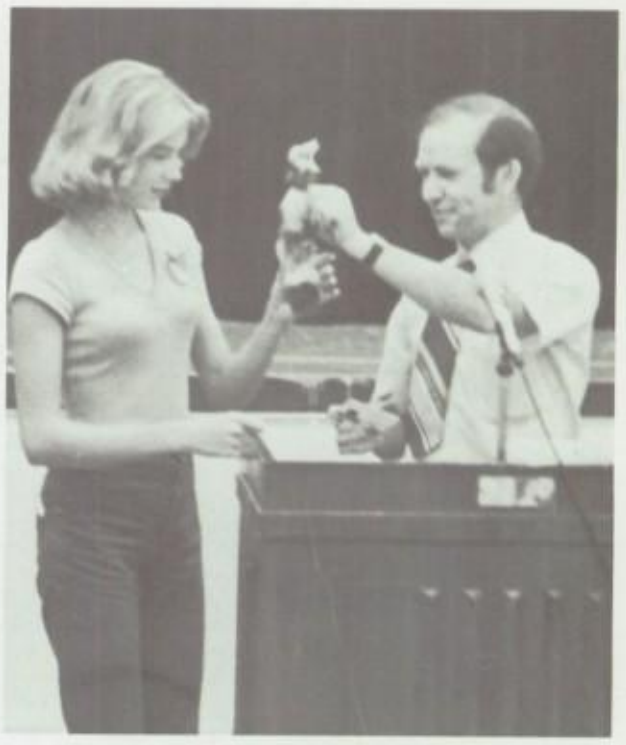
"They tried real hard to get the students involved this year," commented Pam Beaver. "They weren't always successful but it wasn't their fault. Some people just won't get involved in anything no matter how hard you try."

Involvement in student elections increased significantly in 1981 according to council officers. "Between 90% and 100% of the upperclassmen voted this year," Marlon Rutherford, council vice-president said. "That's up a little from last year.

"We hoped to guide and serve this year," Rutherford said. "I feel like we did what we could."

Council Projects:

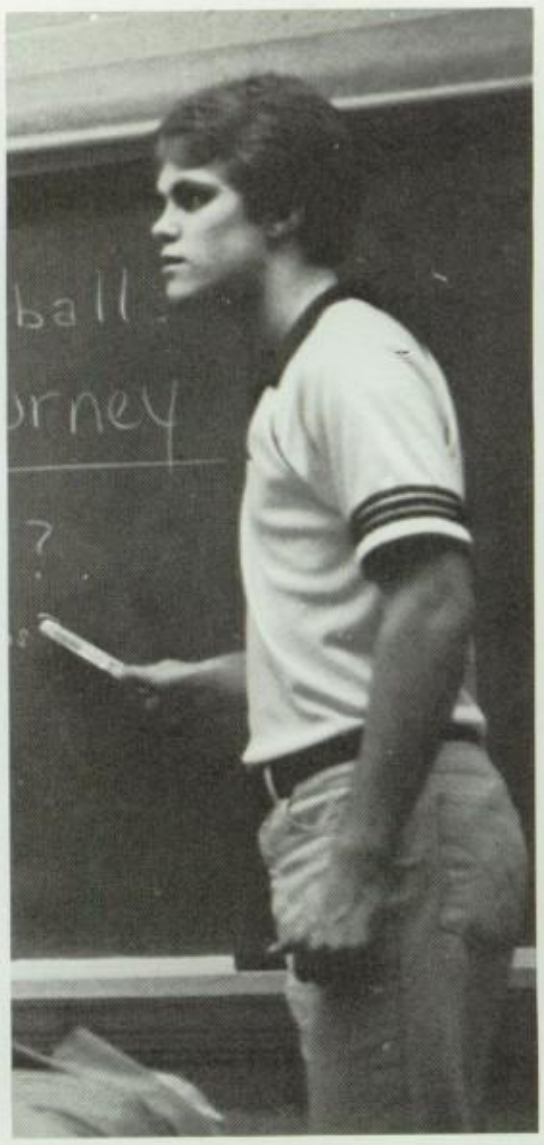
- Magazine sales
- Bloodmobile
- Newspaper drive
- Aluminum recycling
- Student movies
- Talent show
- Homecoming
- Who's Who



CHOOSING A PRIZE as a reward for top sales in the magazine drive, Jill Davenport is honored by Ron Lumpkins.

OFFERING THEIR HELP in collecting newspapers, Jim Cox and Marlon Rutherford catch papers thrown from Kevin Davis and David Nance.

TOTAL CONCENTRATION is important for Tyler Swinea as he practices for the Key Club Ping-Pong Tournament.



PRESIDENT 'BUMP' Crowell discusses the spring softball tournament planned as a fund-raiser for the group.

CLUB CHEERLEADERS urge the Key Club basketball team to come from behind and defeat the faculty.

The Key Is Service

Service.

Service to the school, the community and the nation.

That's the primary reason the Key Club is once again an important part of MH extracurricular activities.

"The primary purpose we wanted to revive our chapter was to give an opportunity to serve," said president 'Bump' Crowell. "The club believes in helping others and making people better. This year's national motto is "Dare to Influence" and that's what we wanted to do."

It was fitting that 'Bump' was selected to be the club's first president according to sponsor Carl Seigenthaler, Jr. "He had several friends in the Sheffield High Club and they helped 'Bump' get everything organized here. Without 'Bump' I'm not sure the club would have ever been re-formed."

Once organized, however, the club wasted little time in getting down to serving others. A canned food drive was held in September and 300 cans worth $120 were carried to the Alabama Sheriff's Boys Ranch near Decatur. Other food was taken to the North Alabama Christian Children's Home. In order to provide the food the group sponsored a faculty-Key Club basketball game.

Admission to the game was a container of canned food.

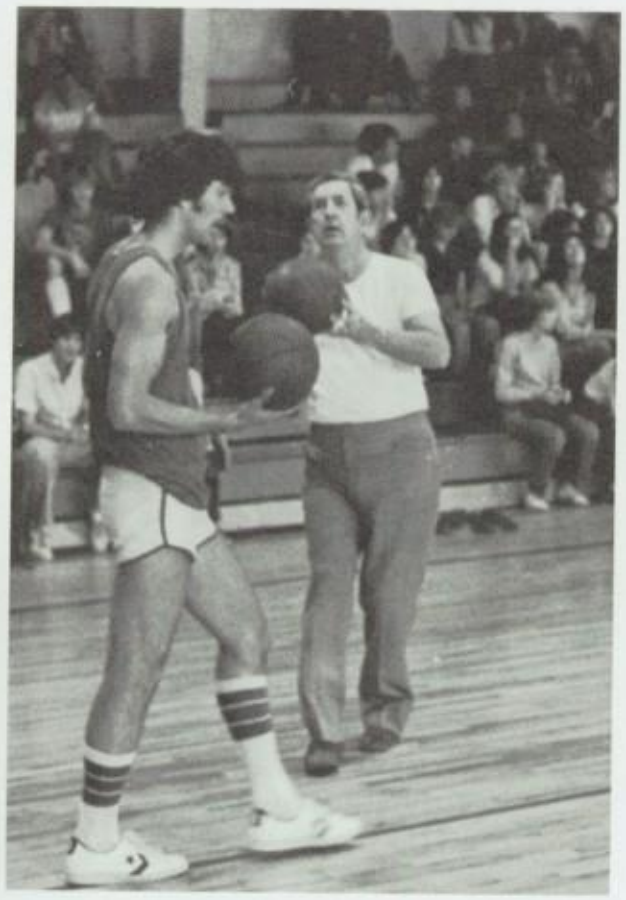
"The ballgame was a lot of fun," admitted club treasurer Jeff Hester, "We thought the faculty would 'goof off' more than they did but in the end they wanted to win as much as we did." It took one overtime and the 3:00 p.m. dismissal bell to end the game in a 42-42 tie.

One other highlight of the day's activities was the appearance of David Garrett, Stephen Bridges and the 'Pansyettes'. The senior boys served as cheerleaders for the day and 'attempted' numerous cheerleader pyramids and stunts to the delight of the audience.

Rosemary Black, Mary Alice Wilhelm and Ann Hammond led cheers for the faculty and also engaged the 'Pansyettes' in a water battle.

In addition to the canned food drives the club undertook two service projects of importance to the school faculty. They took over the faculty's responsibility for parking cars at both 'Punkin' Day and the Jerry Clower benefit dinner.

The club was also working to help the Booster Club in paying off the indebtedness on the new gym. "We hoped to be able to turn over the proceeds from a couple of spring and summer projects to the Boosters," Crowell said. The club was sponsoring ping-pong, fishing, and softball tournaments.



TAKING PRACTICE SHOTS before the faculty's basketball game against the Key Club are Lawrence Williams and Steve Bates.

Club Projects:

- ***Canned food drives***
- ***Key Club-Faculty basketball***
- ***Ping-Pong tournament***
- ***Softball tournament***
- ***Punkin' Day***
- ***Jerry Clower benefit***

"Our ping-pong tournament wasn't as successful as we had hoped," Hester added. "We just couldn't find time to get all the matches in. We couldn't get people out of class and we ran into a lot of conflicts after school."

Still, even with some minor problems, the club considered its reorganization a success. "They have done a very fine job this year," stated the club's sponsor. "They also show great potential for growth in future years. You see, a lot are beginning to recognize that they gain from serving others and improve their own self-esteem and purpose.

"One also gains the abilities and skills necessary to be an effective leader and manage situations involving people by being active in the Key Club."

The 1980-81 Key Club included 18 members and three sweethearts.

"We think the good year we had this year will cause more and more to want to be members of the group in the future," said club secretary Blake Stephenson. "We're already planning our membership drive for next year."

The club held their planning session at a cook-out in McFarland Park in early April. Plans were finalized for spring semester tournaments and projects during the activity. "Our group has enjoyed the year," Stephenson concluded. "We worked well together and everyone did what they were supposed to do."

TYING PEOPLE TOGETHER

***Chorus**
***Debate**
***Yearbook Staff**

Stamina.
Dedication.
Endurance.

These things were a must for several hard working organizations on the Mars Hill campus. Each of these three laboring groups, the chorus, debate team and yearbook staff, put a lot of extra time into each of their projects.

Chorus members gave up their seventh period class, which could be used as a study hall, to practice daily for their upcoming chorus programs.

The senior chorus was led by a newcomer to the faculty at Mars Hill, Al Jackson. Mr. Jackson was also in charge of two other choral groups, the seventh grade chorus and the combined eighth and ninth grade chorus.

Daily chorus activities consisted of rehearsing their song selections or taking a field day to listen to popular music played by several chorus members.

An important event during the school year was the annual spring tour taken by the chorus. The 1981 tour was taken during the week of March 6-13. The chorus traveled to several cities in several states such as, Nashville, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Memphis.

Yearbook staffers also used the last hour of the school day to do their work on the yearbook. Jimmy Gann, yearbook staff member, said, "I liked having

SELECTING NEGATIVES FOR prints for their section in the yearbook, Joli Harrison and Christy Winn work hard to meet their deadline.

MEMBERS OF THE chorus are (first row), Susan Kirkland, Jodi Berry, Ashley Graham, L'Nita Jamison, Allison Bridges, Carla Parker, Ann McFall, Mona Gooch, Monica Pigg, Al Jackson, director. (second row), Becky Walker, Bobby Grigsby, Jan Jordon, Doug Smith, Tina Hester, John Calvert, Debbie Zahnd, Scott Holley. (third row), Greg Boren, Aaron Sain, Anita Heupel, Kenneth Walker, Betsy Smelser, Todd Chastain, Jennifer Blackburn, Renee Cotham, Ed Crowell. (fourth row), David Covington, Cherie Cochran, Eric Bogus, Amy Cochran, Joel Kendrick, Amy Swinea, Miles Stutts, Rita Stamps and Doug Posey.

MEMBERS OF THE debate and forensic team are (first row), Betsy Smelser, Cherie Cochran, Alyssa Ashley, Becky Walker, (second row), Eric Bogus, Trae Miller, Jennifer Blackburn, Allison Bridges, Anita Gifford and Gail Tillery.

EMPHASIZING HER POSITION, Gail Tillery "points to the podium" to catch the judges attention.

something to do during the last period. I've had study hall in the past years, but that got too boring. Being on the yearbook staff also gave me an extra 'A' if I did my work."

Members of the yearbook staff were always being rushed by deadlines. Because of the staff's promise for "the best MIZPAH ever," several deadline extensions were granted to the staff by Taylor Publishing Company.

This group not only spent their last period working on the yearbook, but on many occasions the staff was required to stay a few hours after school. This practice became more and more frequent when deadlines drew near.

Rewards are given for obedience and on one occasion, Kenny Barfield, the yearbook advisor, surprised those faithful staffers who stayed after school with a real treat. He ordered a pizza to be enjoyed by everyone who stayed that day.

Unlike the chorus and the yearbook staff, members of the debate team do not have access to a class period in which to do their work. These members have to work many hours after school and even have to devote many week-ends to research or tournaments.

The job of the debaters seems endless because there can never be enough information found to support their case.

Sponsoring both the yearbook staff and the debate team was Kenny Barfield. His job required long hours after school for both of these groups.

KEEPING THE PIANO in turn is a hard task around MH where musically inclined students often wish to prove their talent. Tuning the piano is Al Jackson, choral director.

SCUSSING ALTERNATIVES FOR the closing section of the MIZPAH, e Molly Gooch, assistant editor; Gail Tillery, editor and Beth Henry, ssistant editor.

ANNUAL STAFF MEMBERS are (sitting), Margaret Graham, Donna Weems, Shane Staggs, Blake Stephenson, Beth Henry, Molly Gooch, Gail Tillery, Jolie Harrison. (standing), Kenneth Walker, Mary Kay Bulman, Keith Robinson, Roger Holderfield, Lorie Henry, Scott Farris, Lynne Wright, Amanda Thompson, Shelaine Gifford, Anita Gifford, Alyssa Ashley, Janet Miles, Jimmy Gann, Christy Winn, and Greg Darby.

Debaters Earn State Title

State champs!

Every year the debaters set their sights on the coveted Alabama titles. They have been successful more often than not and 1981 was no different.

Novice debaters Gail Tillery and Anita Gifford capped an amazing, record-shattering year by claiming the state title with a perfect 6-0 record in the meet held at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa.

Included in their title were decisions over 4A schools Huntsville, Grissom, Holt, and Homewood.

"Gail and Anita worked hard for the honor," forensic coach Kenny Barfield said. "They deserved it."

In addition to winning the state title, Gail and Anita set school records for most consecutive debates won (37), highest won-lost pct. for a year (94.64%), and for placing in the most tournaments (8-100%).

"Gail and Anita won a trophy at every tournament they entered," Barfield added. "That's a feat no one else in this state has matched in over a decade. And it wasn't luck. They worked constantly. They had to. Everyone else in the state was trying to beat them."

Hard work for debaters began early in the summer as team members began research on the year's topic, "Resolved: That the federal government should initiate and enforce safety guarantees on consumer goods." It continued with workshops at the University of Alabama and Samford University in late summer and continued with research, practice debates, after hours squad meetings and trips, trips, trips.

During 1980-81 the teams (three in all) entered competition at Emory University (Atlanta), Western Kentucky University (Bowling Green), Auburn University, and tournaments held at high school campuses throughout the southern states.

"I was proud of every member of the team this year," Barfield noted. "We started the year with the least experience of any team I've ever had here. But they worked hard and every individual contributed and won a trophy somewhere during the year."

The year concluded April 12 with a banquet at Quincy's. Team members were given awards and letters to mark their contribution to the school. Gail Tillery and Anita Gifford were given silver trays for their record-setting year, Allison Bridges was named top varsity debater and Cherie Cochran was awarded the Christian Character Bible.

PHYSICAL OR MENTAL? Anyone who thought debaters didn't get any exercise never had to carry five notebooks, two files, and four briefcases the quarter-mile between rounds like Gail Tillery.

MAKING A POINT is Anita Gifford, a member of the 1981 state championship team. Anita and her partner won 53 of 56 debates.

A FRANTIC SEARCH for evidence occurs often in a debate round. Cherie Cochran prepares her files in advance to make the search easier.

PRESENTING TROPHIES was a weekly chore for debaters. Allison Bridges and Anita Gifford present principal Lawrence Williams some of the team's 37 awards.

NOVICE STATE CHAMP Gail Tillery points out some of the errors she and her partner have found in their opponent's arguments.

Small, Effective and Musical

"Speaking one to another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." Ephesians 5:19.

Like so many groups, the senior chorus was smaller than it had been for some time. Its 32 members made it the smallest senior chorus in over a decade.

Those who heard it said it was also one of the best.

"From all we can tell it was one of the most effective groups in a long time in presenting the image of the school," said school president Jack Wilhelm after he and his wife accompanied the group on their annual spring tour.

It has been said that singing is to the heart like medicine is to the body and that, in singing, we express love, devotion, joy, thanksgiving, and praise.

Those sentiments were definite reflections of the 1981 chorus as it performed numerous programs for local churches and carried its message in song to Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri, and Arkansas during the AEA holidays.

Eleven programs were presented on the tour with audiences ranging in size from two to 600. The small audience was the priest and caretaker of a Catholic cathedral in Indianapolis who invited the group to sing in the high-ceiling structure during a guided tour.

LEADING THE CHORUS in song is Al Jackson, choral director.

WITH HAPPINESS EXPRESSED on their faces, chorus members L'Nita Jamison, Allison Bridges, Carla Parker, and Ann McFall perform a message in song.

Most members seemed well pleased with the tour in general.

"This year's tour went very well in my opinion," stated Monica Pigg. "I seemed to have enjoyed and appreciated this past tour more than any others because I knew it would be my last tour with the Mars Hill Chorus."

Anita Heupel added, "Being with and meeting Christians from different places seemed to make me and everyone else stronger Christians. I feel that our programs helped some people and made them want to be better."

The senior high chorus went through many changes in 1981. To begin with, a new choral director was added to the staff for the second consecutive year. Al Jackson was chosen for the position.

"I've greatly enjoyed working with the chorus. They've been great," he said. "Out of all the choruses I have been associated with, the programs put on by this chorus were the best I have ever heard."

Another change came when the traditional chorus robes were discarded and replaced with long crimson dresses for the girls and charcoal gray tuxedos for the boys.

"The new outfits we wear for chorus activities seem to add a lot to our program," stated 'Bump' Crowell. "I think Mr. Jackson made a very good decision when he decided to do away with the robes. Everyone seems to be happier with our new outfits."

The chorus also changed its routine of simply delivering their entire program from the risers. This year, during the last three songs, the chorus left the risers while singing and formed a line in the aisles of the auditorium.

"When we aren't having to act so formal while standing in front of everybody, we're able to sing much louder," Cherie Cochran said. "The crowd seems to enjoy it also."

A favorite song of both the audience and the chorus members was a spiritual called "A Capella." This song was sung by five members of the group. Allison Bridges sang the lead and was backed up by Miles Stutts, L'Nita Jamison, Scott Holley and Wayne Lewis.

1981 was truly a year when the senior chorus was small, effective and musical.

ATTENTIVENESS TO DIRECTIONS is the key to a successful chorus program.

A LOOK OF total concentration is expressed on the face of chrous member Ashley Graham.

SINCERENESS IS VISIBLE in chorus members Renea Cotham, Ed Crowell, Miles Stutts, Rita Stamps, and Doug Posey as they strive to present a good choral program.

Historians With a Flair

Copy, picas, rough drafts, quad packs . . .

These words were very familiar to the proud, the few and the brave who vowed to make the 1981 *MIZPAH* "the best yearbook ever produced at Mars Hill."

Throughout the year, the staff tried to reach their goal. Gail Tillery, editor, said, "This staff has been the absolute best. They have worked hard all year and they've really proved that they want a good book enough to sacrifice to get it."

Sacrifice was the word that described the staff best. They worked during and after school and on many nights, lights could be seen on in the staff work room as late as 10:00 o'clock while the staffers frantically tried to meet deadlines.

"We got so sick of staying after school. But the closer we got to the deadlines, the longer we had to stay. It looked like we'd never meet the deadlines. When we finally met them, all we could think was 'thank goodness, we can go home,'" said Beth Henry, assistant editor.

In addition to deadlines and work schedules other problems had to be overcome before the book was anything more than a goal. Most of the additional problems centered around inexperience. "I didn't even know what the words 'copy'

DRAWING LAYOUTS FOR the junior high section of the yearbook was an every day job for Jimmy Gann and Mary Kay Bulman.

or 'pica' meant when I came to the staff this year," said Junior High editor Jimmy Gann. "I've been called an 'idiot' more in this class than I have ever before. For about two weeks, I wasn't even speaking to the editor, because she wouldn't write my copy for me. But in the end, everything was worked out and I have learned a lot since the first," he said.

None of the staff members can be considered as very experienced. Only one had previous experience on a yearbook staff. Even the editor only got a little experience helping with the 1980 book.

Pictures were scarce, especially on the days staff members were rushing for the deadlines. Pam Beaver, photographer, said, "I had a section of my own, plus the responsibility of supplying pictures for every section. Everybody expected too much of me and I just couldn't do it all."

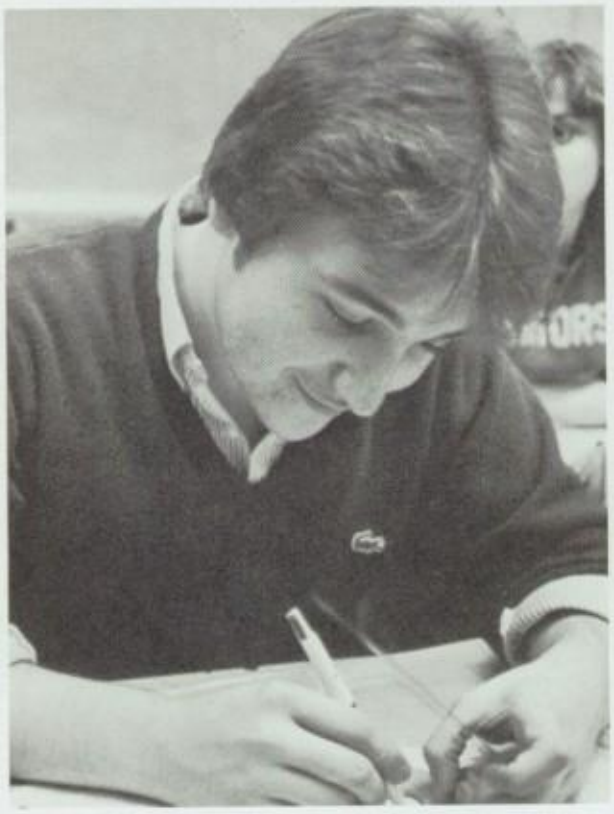
Along with her section, Gail Tillery was faced with another task. "Everybody dumped their sections on me and told me to write their copy. They hadn't conducted interviews or anything. I had to do it all," she commented.

Staffers many times became unpopular with other members of the student body, by constantly harassing the faculty, administrators, and students for quotes. One day, at least 20 surveys were passed out for copy or trivia information, and many of them ended up in trash cans.

"I bothered Mrs. Goodman so much. Almost every day I went to her office to ask such stupid questions like how many people have graduated from Mars Hill, or how many people came in her office on an average day," Gail said.

As final deadlines grew nearer and nearer, staffers kept on working their hardest in order to achieve their goal of "the best book ever."

SELECTING PICTURES WAS a big part of a section editor's work. Janet Miles finds a picture she likes.



PERSISTENCE AND ZEAL account for the excellence of the creative artwork of Scott Farris.

GIVING ORDERS COMES with authority and Gail Tillery, editor, thrives on the pleasure.

ACTING AS ASSISTANT editors for the yearbook were Beth Henry and Mollie Gooch.

TWO PEOPLE TOGETHER

*4-H
*Beta Club

Esteem. Splendor. Performance. These words are well known to members of such clubs as 4-H and the Beta Club.

The word "performance" is the key word, for without members performing and striving for certain high-set goals, these clubs couldn't exist. When the members have reached their goals, they receive esteem and splendor for well done jobs.

Performing well is a task in itself. A good performance requires dedication to whatever project is being done. Sometimes, in order to do this, one has to give up some or all of his free time and devote it to his projects.

In the case of the 4-H club, members were constantly involved in different projects, such as collecting items for a needy family during Christmas or giving parties for children at the North Alabama Children's Home.

Some other individual projects were speaking contests, baking contests, photography and sewing contests, steer shows and many other projects.

Shane Staggs, president of the Mars Hill 4-H chapter, was chosen as the "Lassie Queen" of Alabama. This honor is selected from 4-H contestants who promote certain breeds of cattle and who also dress in a Scottish costume. Shane traveled to Denver, Colorado in January of 1981, to compete in the "Lassie Queen" National contest.

To show for all the hard work and extra hours put in by the members of the 4-H club, the Mars Hill chapter of 4-H was chosen as the "Best Club" in Lauderdale county for the school year of 1980-1981.

MAKING YOUR COW look great is an important part of winning 4-H steer shows. Beth Clemmons takes time out to groom her cow in hopes of winning first prize.

MEMBERS OF THE 4-H club are (in shape of #4) David Covington, Stephen Behel, Ann Underwood, Sponsor, Shane Staggs, Angela Jenkins, Eric Bogus, Eric Behel, Carol Hanback, Nancy Behel, Hope Ivey, Mona Gooch. (in shape of H) Susan Jeffreys, Renae Cotham, Shelaine Gifford, Sonya Caudle, Lisa Bradfoot, Paul Corfman, Kraig Behel, Beth Clemmons, Carl Keenum, Lee Huggins, Jay Smith, Michael Brock, Amy Hunnicutt, and John Cotham.

SERVING AS OFFICERS for both the boys and girls 4-H clubs are (front row) Amy Hunnicutt, Shane Staggs, Mona Gooch. (back row) Eric Behel, Eric Bogus and David Covington.

This award is given annually to the 4-H club that does the most work for their community and school. A trophy was presented to the Mars Hill 4-H chapter to recognize their award.

"I felt very proud of our 4-H group," said Nancy Barfield, 4-H sponsor. "They deserved the award because they really worked hard to receive it."

The most academically elite of the Mars Hill clubs is probably the Beta Club. To become a member of the Beta Club a student must maintain a 3.25 average.

A member of the Beta Club receives a certificate, a pen with the Beta logo on it and finally, a monthly newsletter. Along with this, a member's name goes into the National Beta Club. This is an excellent honor to add in job applications or when applying for an entrance to a college. Jimmy Gann, a member of the Beta Club for six years expressed his feeling of the club by saying, "It is very prestigious and it gives me a sense of achievement."

M.H.'s Beta Club had several activities this year. Some of these activities include the induction of new members, planning the chapel services, and collecting food for the North Alabama Children's Home. Other services done by the club were selecting host and hostess to serve at the Endowment Suppers, and supplying workers for the Jerry Clower Benefit Dinner.

The Beta Club also sponsored the March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon, which is an annual event that raises thousands of dollars for the March of Dimes each year.

Yellow Cords at graduation separate members of the M.H. Beta Club from their peers. This is a favorite advantage that all Beta Club members enjoy. The cords are symbols of the academic excellence required of those who are honored with membership in the national organization.

Most every student in high school has the desire to be in the Beta Club. It not only gives them a sense of accomplishment but also the respect of their peers and parents. It is a great feeling to know that you excelled in your school years and reach your goal of graduating in the top of your class.

SOAKING THEIR FEET is a must for Rita Stamps and Janet Miles who participated in the March of Dimes Walk-a-thon sponsored by the Beta Club.

ELECTED AS OFFICERS for the Senior High Beta Club were Rita Stamps, secretary; Carla Parker, president; Monica Pigg, vice president and Calven Swinea, treasurer.

MEMBERS OF THE Beta Club are (first row) Susan Gist, Monica Pigg, Suzanne Frye, Anita Gifford, Gail Tillery, Allison Bridges, Deanna Carlton, Lisa Kirchner, Jeannie Coats, Cyndy Longshore, Lori Nestor, Janet Miles. (second row) Howie Hall, Jeff Burgess, Scott Holley, Anita Heupel, Carla Parker, Lisa Finley, Karen Hollis, Marcia Jones, Nina Hargett, Renee Terry, Deborah Zahnd, Jodi Berry. (third row) Doug Smith, John Calvert, Cherie Cochran, Scott Farris, Mia Lowery, Rita Stamps, Pam Beaver, Amanda Gifford, Margaret Graham, Joanne Skipworth, Sponsor. (fourth row) Todd Chastain, Greg Darby, Jimmy Gann, Mark Behel, Calven Swinea, David Garrett, Walt Davis, Guy Boozer, Ken Herrison and Roger Williams.

4-H Active In Helping Others

4-H is an educational program found throughout the United States whose main objective is to teach young men and women the latest and best practices in agriculture and home economics.

"**4-H Clubs help teen-agers** discover if they want to make agriculture their future career," said club member Eric Bogus. "It builds leadership, and community pride and also develops self-reliance and ambition.

The group originated in the early 1900's. At first only farm children belonged to the organization, but city children joined when the clubs added projects of use to them. Today over 5½ million United States teens belong to 4-H. Our chapter was 16 members.

Their motto is "Make The Best Better" and the 4-H's stand for head, heart, hands and health. Their pledge is "My head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living for my club, my community, my country and my world."

Mars Hill 4-H members held a party over the Christmas holidays, for several needy families and they also went caroling.

The sixteen members have also made several items for the people at the local nursing homes. On Valentine's Day, they sent them cards, and on Easter, they made Easter baskets containing candy and distributed them. A cake sale and a yard sale were held to raise the money to finance these projects.

Club members held a baby shower for their sponsor, Nancy Barfield, and on Teacher Appreciation Day, they sponsored a tea for the teachers.

Several of the members served at the Jerry Clower Benefit Dinner.

At the beginning of the year the 4-H-ers held a banquet, where they gave awards to the Lauderdale County extension office for their help in the year's projects.

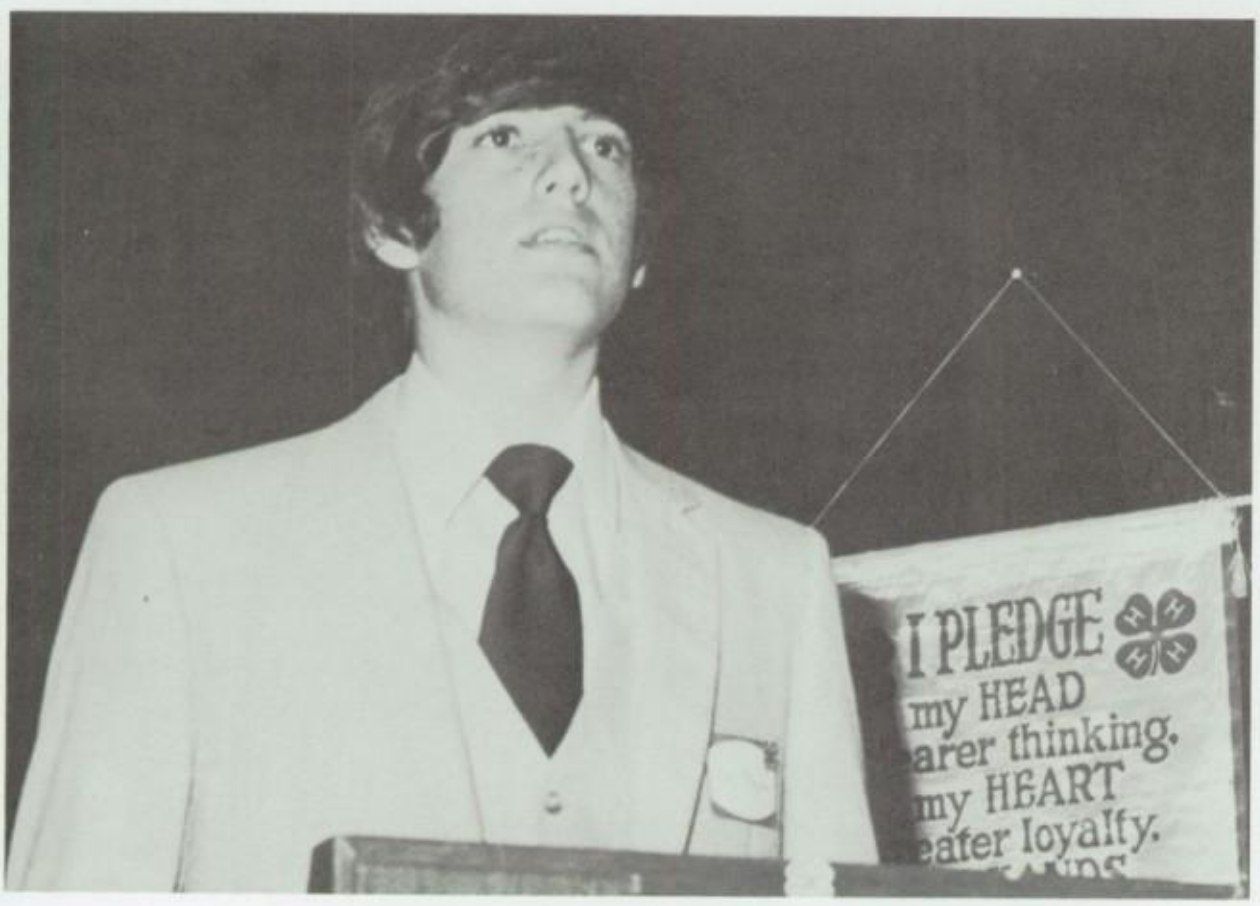
Shane Staggs, president of the girls 4-H Club stated, "I really feel all the time I've put into 4-H will benefit me in the future.

RECITING THE PLEDGE of allegiance along with the 4-H pledge is Connie Morrow, 4-H representative and Shane Staggs, 4-H president.

MEMBERS OF 4-H and other volunteers served food on Teacher Appreciation Day to MH teachers. Caroline Burleson helped in the preparations.

SERVING TEA TO teachers on "Teacher Appreciation Day" is 4-H member, Stephanie Walker.

CREATING A DETAILED map of the state of Alabama was one of the 4-H projects done by Eric Bogus.



CHOSEN AS THE state of Alabama's "Lassie Queen" was Shane Staggs, who is dressed in her Scottish costume.

HELPING THE 4-H club serve refreshments on "Teacher Appreciation Day" were several sophomore girls. Pictured are Sondra May, Jennifer Blackburn, Monnie McGuire, and Caroline Burleson.

ADDRESSING COUNTY LEADERS of 4-H at a banquet at the Smoke House Restaurant was 4-H member Eric Bogus.

TYING PEOPLE TOGETHER

*FBLA
*Quill and Scroll
*Mu Alpha Theta

Honor.
Prestige.
Distinction.

These words symbolize clubs like FBLA, Quill and Scroll and Mu Alpha Theta that give recognition to students who excell in certain areas.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is designed to help students who look to future careers in business to make their lives as profitable as possible.

According to most recent surveys the field of business is attracting more and more recruits. This year's FBLA chapter seems to agree with those findings as the group nearly doubled its membership in 1980, attracting 20 members.

FBLA, or Future Business Leaders of America, is a national youth organization for all students who have acquired a 'B' average in at least two business courses in high school.

New members of the FBLA received a certificate at the induction ceremony in chapel. This year's chapter also had several covered dish luncheons. FBLA members also purchased cords for graduation.

FBLA is an honor society which gives those who have maintained a high average in business courses a self-awareness of how our economy works and how the world of business fits in.

Scott Farris summed it up when he said, "I feel honored to be a member of FBLA because of what it stands for and to know how it could help me in the future. It has given me the confidence to strive to be a good business leader of the future."

Quill and Scroll is an international honorary society for high school students with an interest in the field of journalism. A chapter has existed at Mars Hill since 1964.

Students involved in this organization had to drop "The Panther's Tale" because of the lack of time which had to be divided between it and the MIZPAH.

There has been a growing interest in the field of journalism with the addition of ten new members to the club.

"It is an honor to be named a member of the Quill and Scroll, and will also benefit those in the future who plan to make journalism a major part of their career," stated Shelaine Gifford, Quill and Scroll member.

Studying a field which proved beneficial in all aspects of daily life, Mu Alpha Theta members took subjects such as Geometry, Algebra II and Math IV.

The Mu Alpha Theta club was organized several years ago for students who maintained a 2.5 average after taking three years of math courses. Upon achieving this average, they are asked to join the honorary club.

The name "Mu Alpha Theta" stands for the twelfth, first, and eighth letters of the Greek alphabet. It is a national society which sponsors local chapters throughout the country.

Mu Alpha Theta members had an active year. Several members participated in a math tournament at Calhoun Community College in Decatur, and the club

SERVING AS OFFICERS for Mu Alpha Theta are Jimmy Gann, secretary-treasurer; Cyndy Longshore, vice-president and Debbie Zahnd, president.

SERVING AS OFFICERS for FBLA are (sitting) Lisa Harris, vice-president; Pam Beaver, secretary; Renee Terry, president and Donna Hester, treasurer.

MEMBERS OF FBLA are (front desk) Donna Hester, Pam Beaver, Lisa Harris. (back desk) Amanda Gifford, Suzanne Frye, Amanda Thompson. (standing in back) Mia Lowery, Donna Watkins, Anita Heupel, Rita Stamps, Renee Terry, Carla Parker, and Rita May, sponsor.

also inducted new members who were given a pin with the organization logo on it and a certificate of recognition. They also received a monthly newsletter entitled *The Log* which contained articles about mathematics and also brain teasers sent in by Mu Alpha Theta members in different chapters.

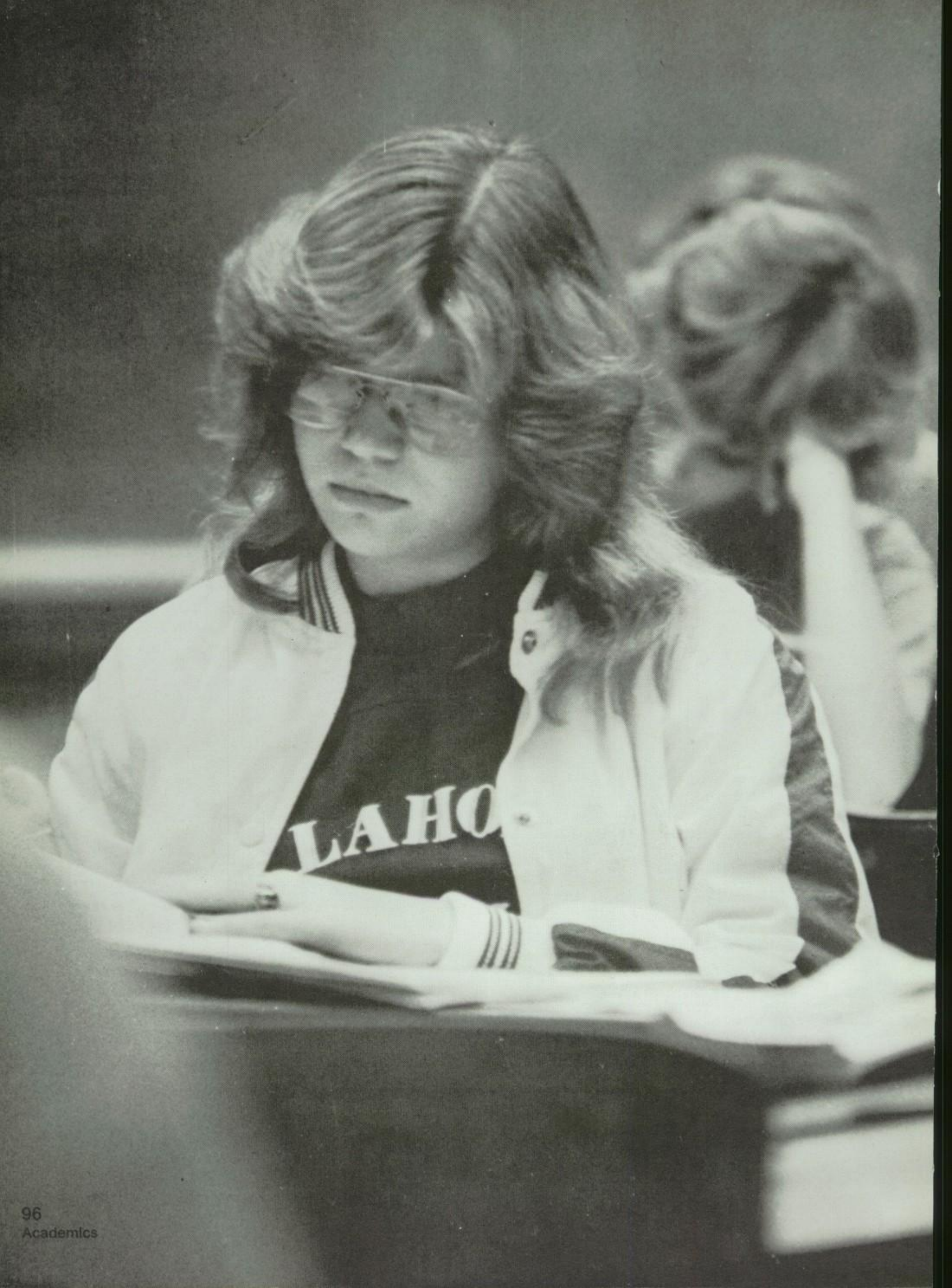
Each of the three organizations owe their formation to a desire to recognize students who achieve in various school departments. "While these groups are not as active in service projects as some campus organizations, one needs to keep in mind the reason these clubs exist is to honor excellence of work already completed," noted Quill and Scroll sponsor Kenny Barfield.

GETTING HER "SECRETARIAL Office Practice" during an ordinary class period is Suzanne Frye.

IN A RACE with time, FBLA member Donna Hester practices her "word per minute" drill, while other members watch.

QUILL AND SCROLL members are (front row) Shane Staggs, Margaret Graham, Jolie Harrison, Shelaine Gifford. (back row) Janet Miles, Greg Darby, Jimmy Gann, Pam Beaver, and Cyndy Longshore.

MEMBERS OF MU Alpha Theta are (sitting) Marlon Rutherford, Calven Swinea, Nina Hargett, Amanda Gifford, Carla Parker, Jimmy Gann, Deborah Zahnd. (standing) Carl Seigenthaler, Jr., Sponsor, Cyndy Longshore, David Garrett and Cherie Cochran.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Things you always wanted to know about academics

*An average student spent 1 hour and 9 minutes each day on homework. This means 3,800,520 minutes were spent on homework by students last year.
*In an average six weeks, 616 A's, 618 B's, 382 C's, 156 D's, and 71 F's appeared on student report cards.
*The sophomores are the smartest class. The class' grade point average of 2.97 is slightly better than that of the seniors (2.96), Freshmen averages (2.73) were slightly superior to that compiled by juniors (2.72).
*Only six students were enrolled in Spanish.
*An average classroom contained 117.2 books on shelves for student use. Mrs. LaVerne Davis' room had the most (274). Don Snodgrass' room had the least (0).
*David Williams is the tallest faculty member (6'3½") and Charles Morris is the shortest (5'5").
*Lawrence Williams has been at MH for 32 years.
*The school used 255,000 pieces of paper, 58 boxes of chalk, and 2,300 stencils in 1980-81.
*It takes 100 Cokes to fill the machine in 109.

WORK, WORK, WORK! It may seem endless, but Tomasue Weber finds that hard work really does pay off.

SOME DAYS don't go as well as others for Ed Crowell and David Garrett as one can easily see.

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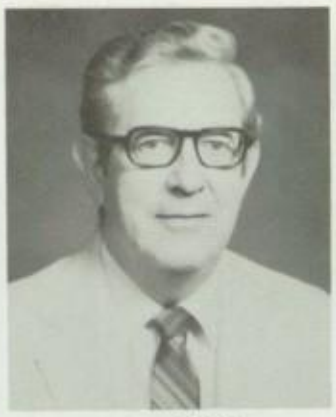

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1948-1981
Bible

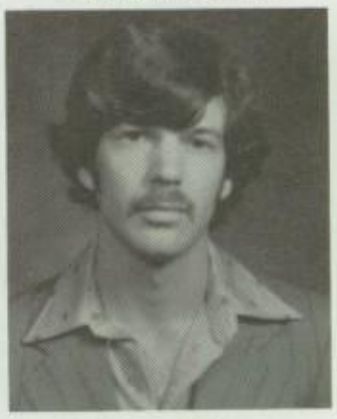
Mary Wilhelm
1957-1981
Math, Spanish

Robert Huffaker
1962-1981
Bible

Ronald Lumpkins
1969-1981
Bible, History

Nancy Barfield
1970-1981
Home Economics

Carl Seigenthaler, Sr.
1971-1981
English, Bible



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Ann Hammond
1980-1981
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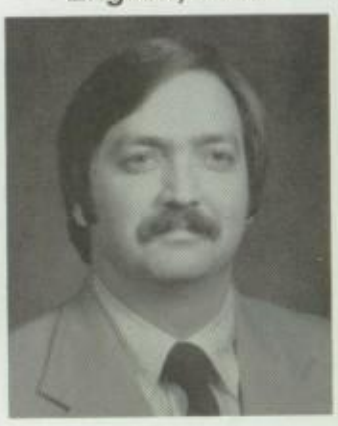

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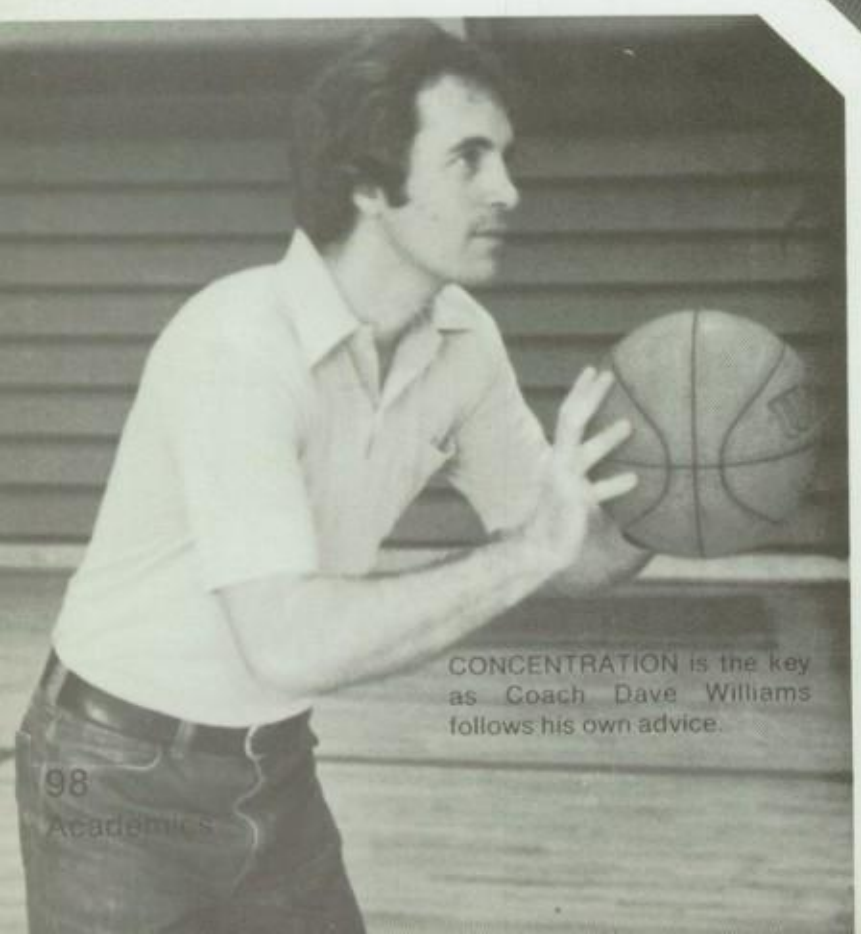

CONCENTRATION is the key as Coach Dave Williams follows his own advice.

DAYDREAMING is enjoyed by Carl Seigenthaler, Jr. when he finds a picture of Dolly Parton.

Charles Morris
1965-1981
Bible, Math, Driver's Ed.

Rita May
1967-1981
Typing, Civics

Mabel Taylor
1967-1981
Library

Reba Hammond
1968-1981
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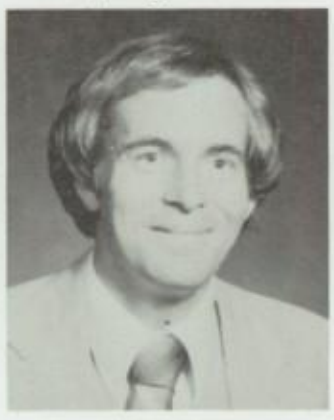
1969-1981
Speech, Bible

LaVerne Davis
1973-1981
English, Accounting



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Beth Brewer
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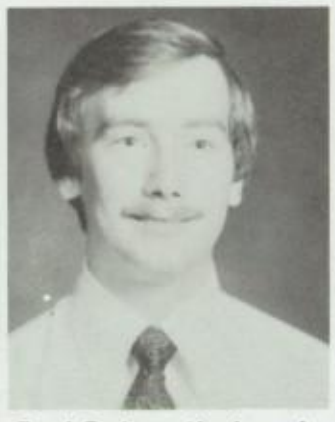
Physical Ed.

Rosemary Black
1978-1981
Guidance, Psychology



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Jo Ann Skipworth
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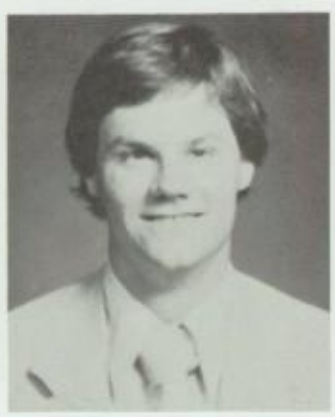


Don Snodgrass
1980-1981
Science

Ann Underwood
1975, 1981
Home Economics

Special People

It takes a certain dedication
not found in many men
To meet the challenge and frustration
over and over again.
But when you have the satisfaction
of making learning fun,
You realize that being a teacher
can help you help someone.

— Margaret Graham

FACULTY FANTASIES

"For it to snow for a week, and not to have to make it up at school." — Rosemary Black

"To coach a basketball team of orphans." — Steve Bates.

"To win a state championship in Memorial Stadium." — David Williams.

"For everybody to pass American history for one year." — Ron Lumpkins.

"To spend a day with Dolly Parton." — Carl Seigenthaler, Jr.

"For 'All the Gold in California' to be in my name." — Beth Brewer.

"To have a class filled with enthusiastic students who are eager to learn." — JoAnn Skipworth.

"To live in a beautiful home with beautiful furniture and have no responsibilities." — Ann Hammond.

"For all students to be polite, mannerly, and eager to learn." — Mary Alice Wilhelm.

"To be the world's champion in speed typing." — Rita May.

"To go a whole year without paddling anyone." — Robert Huffaker.

"I live in reality. I don't have a fantasy." — Lawrence Williams.

"Peace and Quiet." — Charles Morris.

"To have a cottage in a mountain setting with an automatic income, so that I can enjoy nature." — Reba Hammond.

"A quick, happy retirement." — LaVerne Davis.

"To live in a mansion." — Carl Seigenthaler, Sr.

"To be the track coach of the U.S. Olympic team." — Don Snodgrass.

"To retire and move to Tahiti where it's never cold." — Ann Underwood.

"For everyone to act as they should in the library — including me." — Mabel Taylor.

"For Trae Miller and Jennifer Blackburn to win Nationals in Varsity Debate." — Kenny Barfield.

"To have my husband home for two weekends in a row and to not hear a baby cry for two days in a row." — Nancy Barfield.

"To write music that will make me very wealthy so I can buy lots of land, so that I can have retreats and camps for choruses." — Al Jackson.

IN A SMALL SCHOOL, WE ARE FAMILY

"We are family . . ."

The school's most unique feature was its characteristic closeness. Students experienced close ties that would have been impossible to enjoy in public schools.

Teachers, too enjoyed a closeness that was, in many cases, the result of a blood relationship. There were two husband and wife teams, two father and son teams, one mother and daughter combination, and one pair of sisters on the faculty and staff.

These close relationships seemed to have many advantages, while few of the parties involved expressed dislike of working with a relative.

Senior English teacher Ann Hammond, whose mother, Reba Hammond, taught biology, saw teaching with her mother as having many advantages.

"I really enjoy teaching with my mother," she commented. "It's a unique experience!"

A big advantage expressed by several of the related teachers was the convenience of having a relative nearby.

"It's really convenient if I run out of money," Carl Seigenthaler, Jr., explained. Seigenthaler taught several math classes, while his father, Carl Seigenthaler Sr., taught Bible and literature.

Another advantage of working together was having a lot in common.

"We have a lot of things in common by teaching together," commented home-ec teacher Nancy Barfield, whose husband, Kenny, taught Bible, speech, and journalism. "I pretty well know what's going on in his life, and I can relate to his teaching because I am well acquainted with the kids he's involved with."

Mrs. Rita May, who taught typing, and Mrs. Laverne Davis, who taught English, are sisters.

"Working with my sister provides me with a sense of confidence and security," Mrs. May stated. "I know she is always there if I need her, and I know she keeps an eye on my kids when I can't be near them."

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilhelm also enjoyed a unique relationship. Mr. Wilhelm was president of the school, and Mrs. Wilhelm was a teacher as well as guidance counselor for high school students.

"I like working with him because we really have a lot in common. We each know what's going on in our situations, and it makes us able to relate much better than we could otherwise."

Truly, the atmosphere at school was "one big happy family," for the teachers as well as for the students.

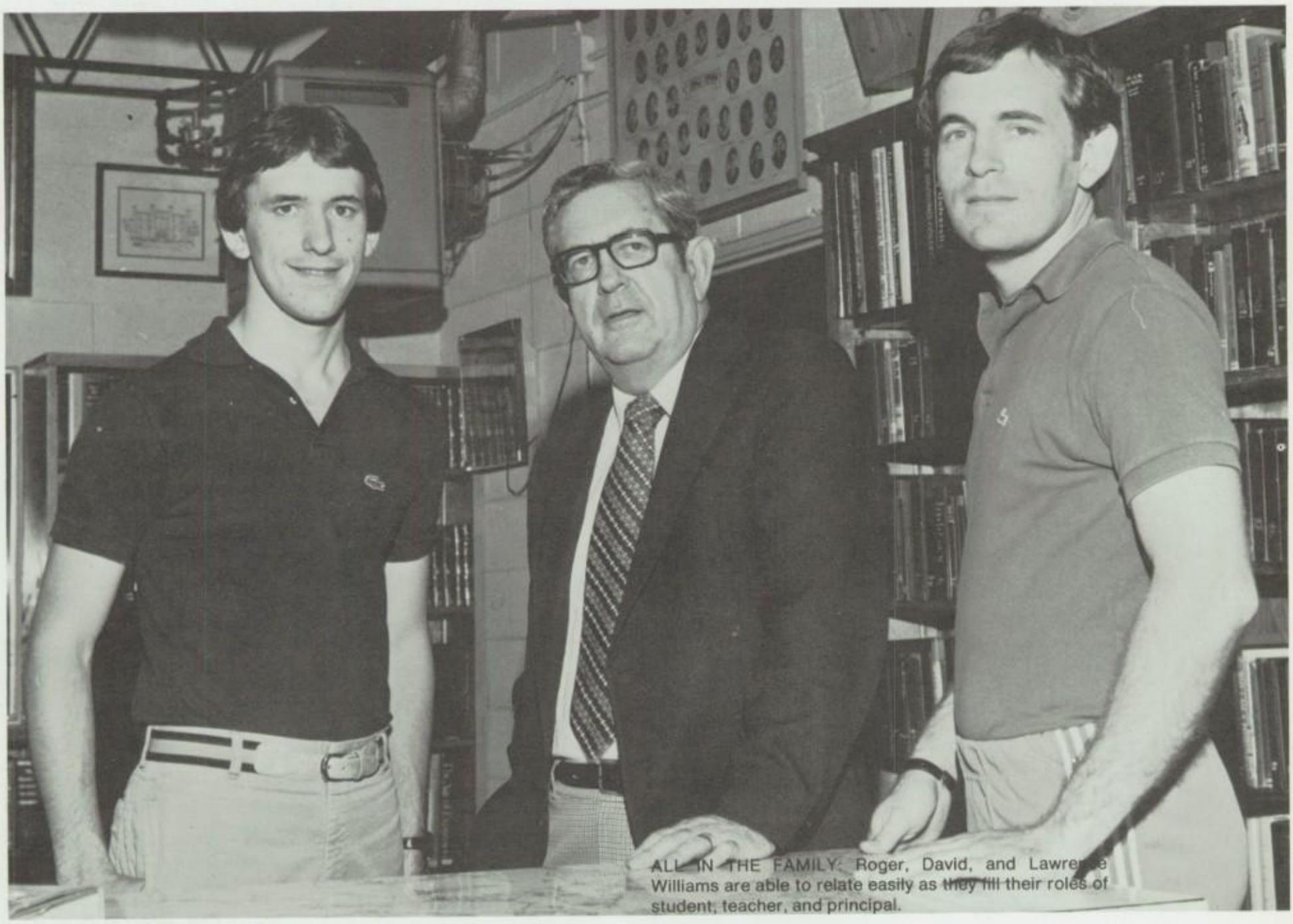
LAUGHING TOGETHER is one of the reasons Reba and Ann Hammond enjoy teaching together.

SHARING MUTUAL EXPERIENCES during the day makes Jack and Mary Alice Wilhelm a closer couple

WORK IS EASIER when your sister is only "two doors down" the hall, as Rita May and Laverne Davis discover.

ABOVE: GANGING UP on "wrongdoers,', the Carl Seigenthalers (Sr. and Jr.) give it their best shot.

ABOVE: CAUGHT IN THE ACT, Scott Huffaker experiences a disadvantage of having his father Robert as teacher.



ALL IN THE FAMILY: Roger, David, and Lawrence Williams are able to relate easily as they fill their roles of student, teacher, and principal.

GRADES: DID THEY TELL THE TRUTH

"One, two, three, it's easy as A, B, C," and even easier may be a D or an F! but sometimes making an F was not that simple and making an A was not that difficult. A letter of number written in red on a test or a report card did not always show how much effort was put into the work.

Since teachers graded by different standards, the work required to get a good grade varied from class to class. An A in one class might not be too difficult, while it was next to impossible in another.

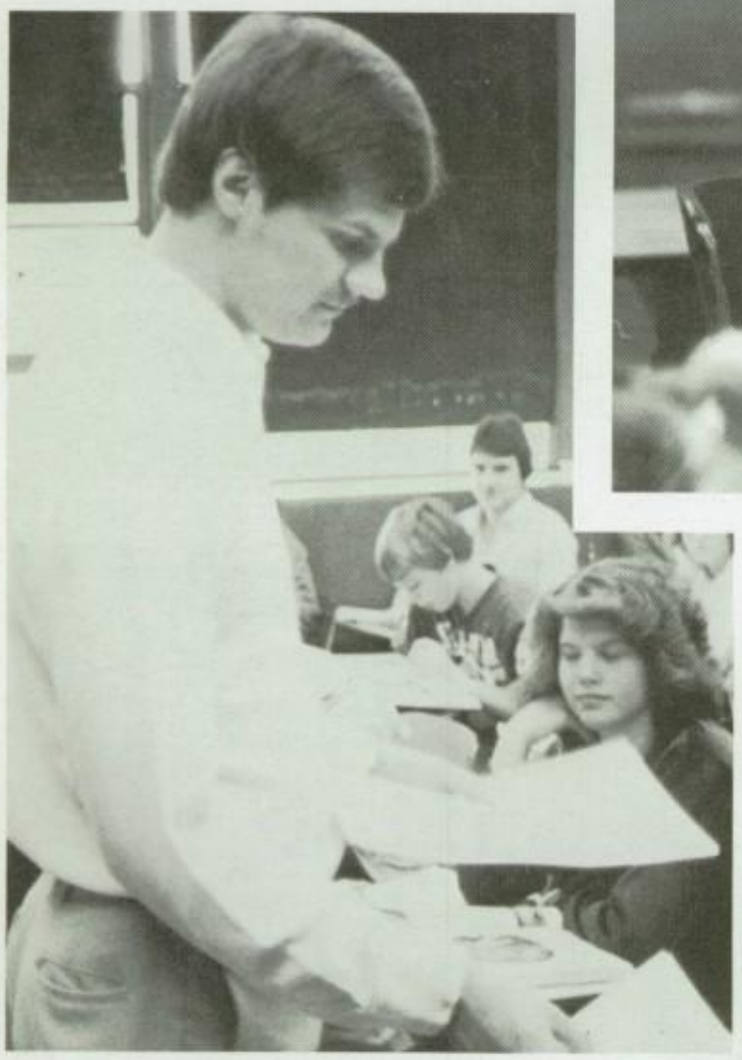
"**Recording number grades** instead of letter grades more truly reflects what the student has accomplished," observed Jo Ann Skipworth. She gave daily grades along with major test grades.

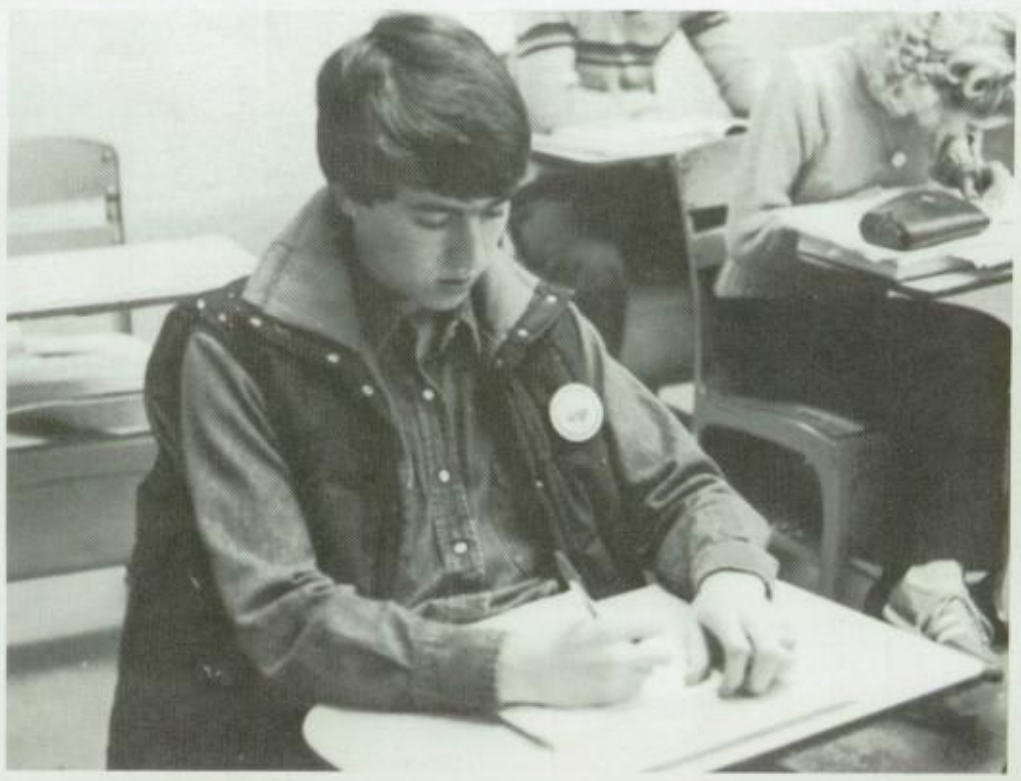
Ann Hammond found that the two hardest grades to make are A's and F's. "An A should stand for talent and hard work," she said. The average grade made in her classes is a B. Like Mrs. Skipworth, she used the 100 number system and converted it to the four point system.

Ronald Lumpkins argued, "The type of

TERROR FILLS the classroom as Mr. Snodgrass passes out the "big" test.

SLAVING OVER A DEADLINE, Ann McFall works toward an A.





TAKING TESTS is a familiar struggle for Stephen Bridges.

tests teachers give and the type of material covered has a great effect on students' grades. For instance, some classes require more reading than others and some students don't enjoy reading." In his history classes Mr. Lumpkins used a different method of grading. All work done counted a certain amount of points. At the end of a six weeks' period the points scored were added up and divided by the total possible points.

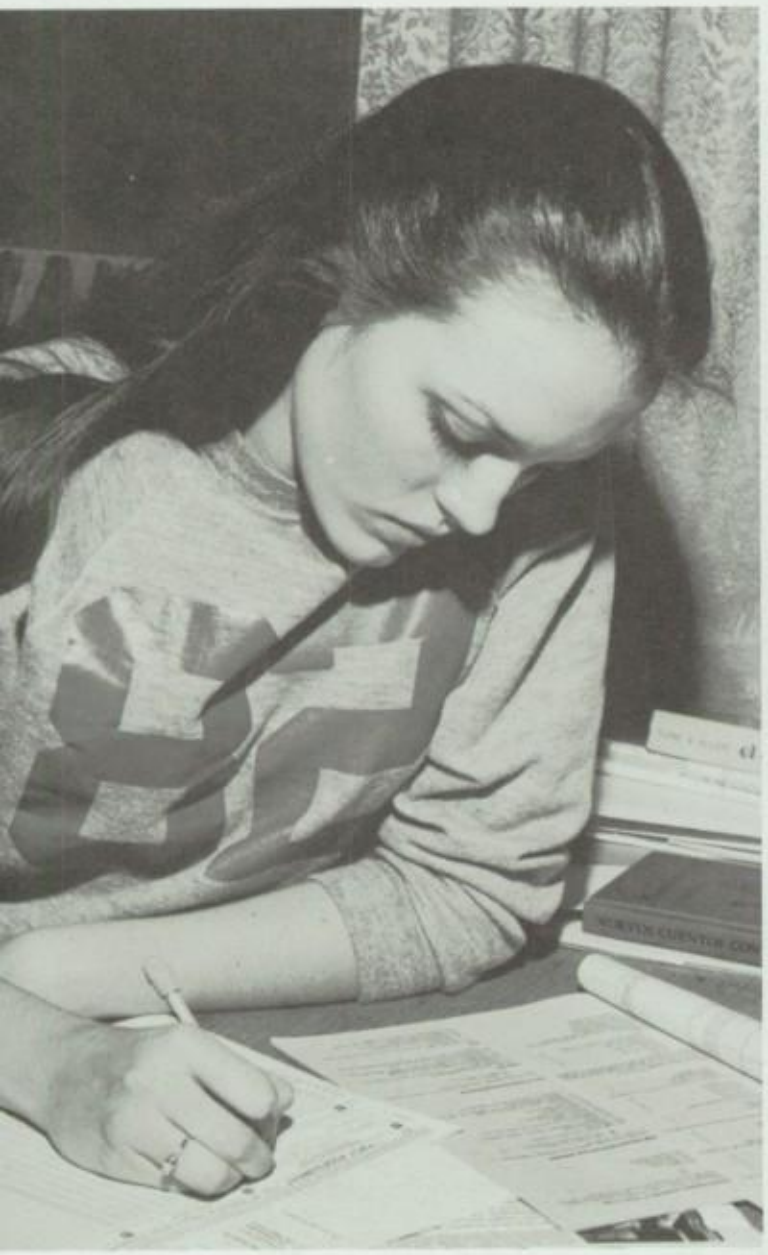
Since Mars Hill is Bible-oriented, students are expected to put more effort into Bible than into their other classes. Kenny Barfield noted he expected a lot more from his Bible students than from his other classes.

A major part of the grade received in each class depended on how well one scored on tests. Test scores are affected by many factors. Normally, studying was the best way to insure good grades, but every year students are faced with tests that don't require studying. Probably the most important of these standardized tests is the ACT.

Like other tests, many factors affect the scores on the ACT. Rosemary Black, guidance counselor, observed, "Test anxiety is the main factor. The way you feel on the day of the exam has a great effect on your score. When you take the test is also important. The average student takes the ACT test in the fall of their senior year, but if you take the test as a junior it won't be graded as strictly. Another factor is your environment during the test, because people around you may be distracting."

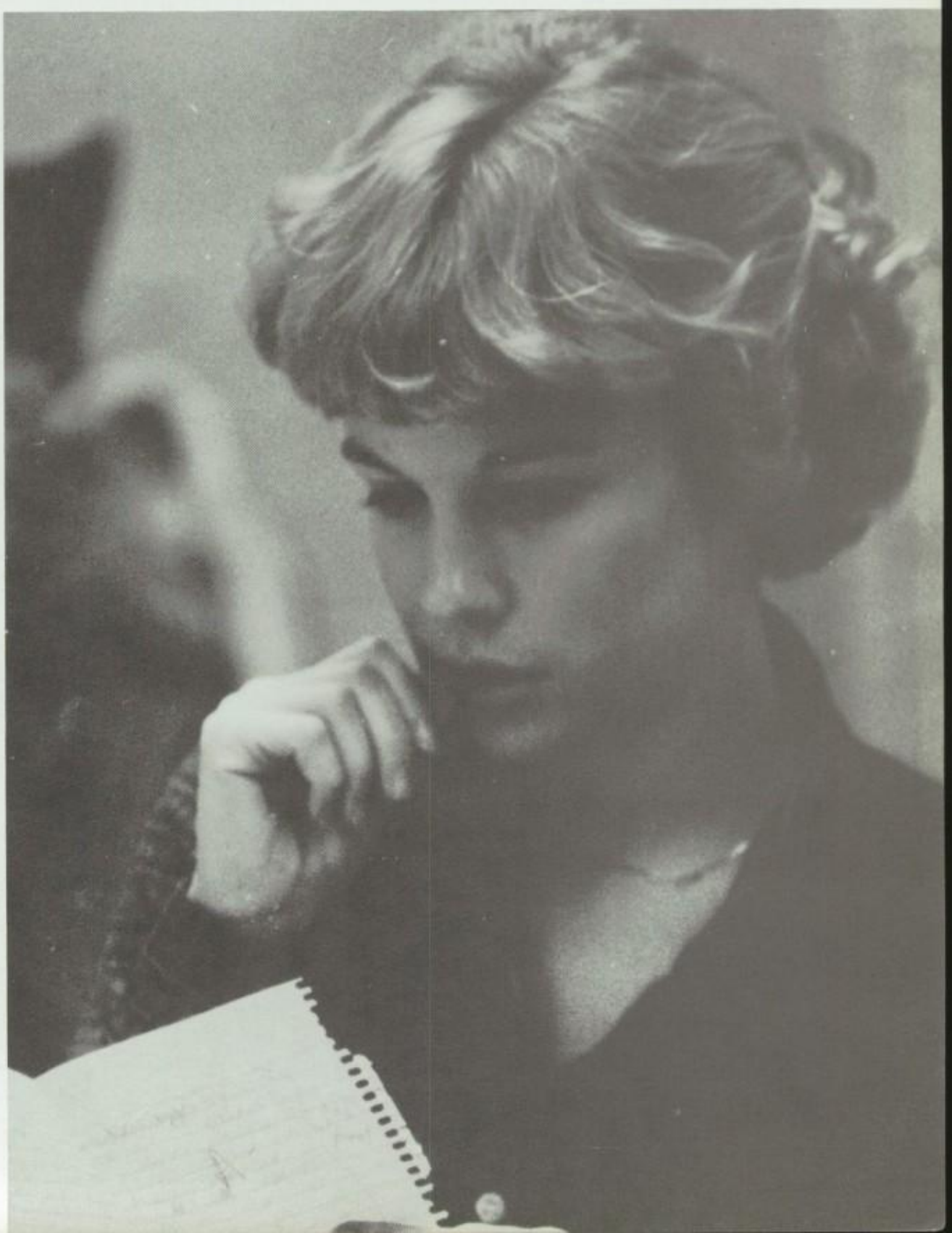
Did grades and report cards tell the truth? Grades may not always reflect effort, but it looked like they were here to stay. All anyone was expected to do — was their best!

LISTENING TO STUDENTS' comments may not be the most exciting thing, but it's part of the teaching process for Jo Ann Skipworth.



PREPARATION is the key word as Donna Watkins and other juniors face the ACT test.

FINGERNAILS SLOWLY DISAPPEAR as assignments are returned to Becky Walker in Journalism.



HOMEWORK HAS A HABIT OF NOT GOING AWAY

It's that time of the year again, the last week of the semester. I've got a thirteen page Bible paper to write and four semester exams to study for. (And as if that isn't enough, the faculty got the brilliant idea to have all the semester tests on two days instead of the usual three days.)

As I sit down at my desk to write my Bible paper, I suddenly realize that I should have started it weeks ago, and that I've fallen very far behind in all my other classes too. When I was yelling and screaming at all the ballgames, it never really hit me that I had lots of homework to do. I guess I just figured that I'd do it all later. Well, I never got around to doing all that homework, and I'll really regret it when I get my report card. All these thoughts were going through my mind.

After gloating over my problems for about 30 minutes, I decided that I better get started on that Bible paper. It's only two days until it is due. But I really don't feel like doing it now. I'd lots rather turn on the radio and listen to Q-107 or go over to one of my friend's houses for an hour or two. Somehow I manage to curb these urges. I force myself to start on my Bible paper.

I struggle through one paragraph, trying to make it sound interesting when that stupid dog next door starts barking. Sometimes that crazy dog will bark for three days continuously. Well, it's pretty obvious to me that I'm not going to get any work done here, so I head for the local library. I manage to struggle through another paragraph.

The next thing I know, I'm waking up and lifting my head from my blue Bible notebook. I guess those late ballgames are taking their toll in more ways than one. I start reading through my notes again, but my head keeps falling into my notebook. By spending most of the night at the library, I manage to write eight pages; only five pages to go. Well, I've got one day to finish writing that paper and I'd better get it done.

The next day rolls around quickly, it's Thursday afternoon and the paper is due Friday morning. I've got tonight to finish it. As I start in on the last five pages, it dawns on me that I've got two semester exams tomorrow and I have to study.

Somehow I manage to ignore the neighbor's barking dog long enough to finish my paper. Once again, I've managed to crank out another quick-order paper as though I was working in a fast food restaurant.

I begin to feel like I've really accomplished something, then I remember about the two semester exams I've got to study for.

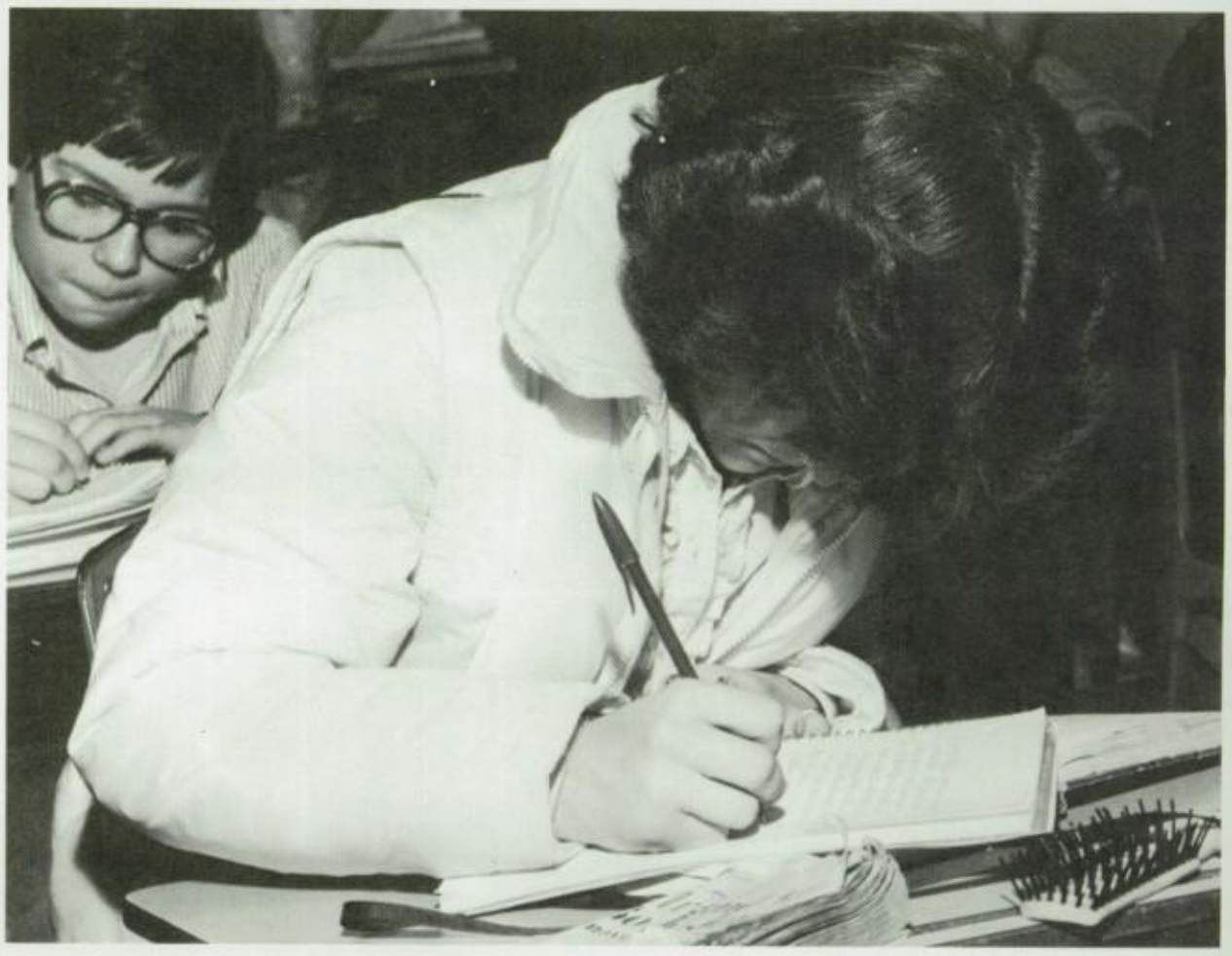
As I take out my books and notes to study on the exams, I suddenly remember the big basketball game tonight. I manage to curb my urges to go to the game for awhile as I look at my big pile of books.

"Once again, I've managed to crank out another quick-order paper as though I was working in a fast food restaurant."

Well, since there is no reason to worry myself to death about school, I hop out of my chair and head for the gym to watch the big basketball game. After all, nobody can study continuously without a break. So, after sitting through three ballgames, I return to the unavoidable homework.

Students such as this one aren't hard to find at Mars Hill. Not many people really enjoy doing homework, but it's just one of those things that has to be done and done often. Putting off homework doesn't solve anything, as Mrs. Wilhelm explains, "The longer you put off doing your homework, the harder it gets to do it later. If you do it right away, you don't have to worry about it anymore."

Homework isn't really as bad as it may seem. Imagine how life would be without it. No books to carry home, no loss of sleep, and no headaches. All you would have to do when you got home from school would be to vacuum the whole house, wash *all* the cars, and cook supper. Sounds fun, doesn't it? Next time you think of how awful those teachers are for giving you all that homework, just remember how much work your parents would let you do if you didn't have that homework.



TRYING HARD to complete that dreaded homework before school is dismissed, Vickie Austin scrambles to finish her English assignment.

HOMEWORK! WHAT'S THAT? Finding ways to get out of class was a favorite activity for students of all ages. Some days were so beautiful that students found the "great outdoors" impossible to resist. Seniors such as Suzanne Frye and Greg Oliver found that they had much rather sit in the sun and read Memory Books than do their homework or stay in a classroom.

TAKING A CLOSER LOOK at those grades that are so important to parents, Jeff Hensley breathes a sigh of relief.

WORKING HARD in Math IV, Nina Hargett, Debbie Zahnd, and Cherie Cochran try to answer those tough trigonometry problems.

Adding It Up!

Add. Subtract. Multiply. Divide.

The freshmen got their first taste of Algebra under the teaching of Carl Seigenthaler, Jr. and Mary Alice Wilhelm. Claudia Wear said, "It was the hardest class I have ever taken in my life! We had to use letters instead of numbers!"

Sophomores were given a choice of taking Consumer Math or Geometry. Consumer Math was a practical class to help students in later life. Sylvia Underwood commented, "It was fun. We filled out tax forms, deposit slips, and wrote checks." Geometry was the college preparatory class. "It helps you to reason better," said Betsy Smelser. The students almost got used to hearing Mary Alice Wilhelm say, "It irks me with a capital irk!"

A math course was not required of juniors, but many took Algebra II. "It was really hard in the beginning, but if you worked at it and studied you could catch on," summarized Anita Gifford. Jeff Hester added, "It was easier until baseball season when I had to miss class every day!"

Senior math courses were Accounting and Math IV. Accounting was described as "work, work, work!" by Amanda Thompson. "We had to fill out income tax forms and complete practice sets." Math IV was a conglomerate of all kinds of math to help students prepare for college. Jimmy Gann felt "It was real hard, but we had a good teacher. All of us were good friends and we had a lot of fun."

THE UNIT CIRCLE strikes again as L'Nita Jamison figures the sine and cosine of a 30° angle.

Socially Speaking

"In fourteen hundred ninety-two, Columbus sailed the ocean blue." Famous people, places, and times were what Social Studies was all about.

Seventh graders were taught World Cultures by David Williams. He said, "I enjoyed teaching the sections from World War I on." JoAnn Skipworth taught the eighth grade course of American History. She commented, "History needs to be reviewed for learning accomplishments and mistakes in the past."

Freshmen discovered facts about the history of Alabama and also had a semester of Social Studies under Charles Morris. In the tenth grade history courses were not required, but World History was offered as an elective. "I've really enjoyed World History," Trae Miller said. "It taught me a lot about the world and all the interesting things that have happened around it." Juniors learned more about the rise of America in Ronald Lumpkins' class. "I thought history was really boring until I got into Mr. Lumpkins' class," Jolie Harrison said. "He really tried to make history 'come alive' for me." Seniors learned how a democracy is run, and also how the capitalistic system functions.

AUSTRIA, INDIA, NEW ZEALAND . . . Keeping all the facts straight is a hard task, even for Carl Keenum and Glenn Johnson in Mrs. Skipworth's World History class.

WORKING AND LAUGHING go together in Speech class even when drafting bills for student congress, because laughing is a source of communication for Susan Gist.

Communicating

Communication.

The development of this skill was the primary goal of language arts teachers.

"We teach students standard English grammar so they can write and talk clearly, and we teach them literature, so that they can study examples of good English usage," English teacher Ann Hammond explained.

Study of literature also provided opportunities for students to learn about many other fields. "Religion, history, and ethics can all be learned from literature study," Miss Hammond said.

In fact, English students read literary works which had overtones from these three fields. *Antigone*, an ancient Greek play, dealt with the struggle of law versus honor. Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales* and Shakespeare's *Macbeth* gave insight into Elizabethan and medieval history, including some history of the Catholic clergy.

Along with English, other areas of study were included in the language arts department. Journalism and mass media were classes enjoyed by many students.

"Journalism gave me the experience of writing stories that I hope will help me in later years," Greg Oliver commented. "It's also taught me how to develop and print pictures."

Mass media was also a class designed to teach students how to get ideas across to the general public. The class participated in the production of a movie, a readers' theater, and a school radio station.

THE ALLIGATOR is popping up everywhere, even as a symbol for WMHS, the intercom station produced by the Media Class.

REALLY DIGGING IN to find those hidden organs, Derek Burnette is getting to the heart of the matter.

Science-Minded

"You're not gonna get me to cut up a frog!"

"Mrs. Hammond, can I skin the cat?"

"Mr. Snodgrass, I don't understand!"

Science students heard remarks like these from their classmates throughout the year. Classes such as earth science, physical science, biology, chemistry, and physics gave students a chance to learn about the world of nature.

"Studying the sciences is a chance for students to learn to apply facts," physics teacher Don Snodgrass said. "It involves a lot of practical knowledge that will profit them for the rest of their lives."

The physics and chemistry classes didn't do many experiments because of lack of facilities, but they had a good year anyway.

Biology students had an interesting year as they were introduced to the world of living things. They cringed at the thought of dissection, but found that it wasn't as bad as they thought.

"Once you get them open, it's not so bad," Jennifer Blackburn said. But Lisa Finley had a different opinion. "It's the grossest thing I've ever done!" she exclaimed.

The main benefit of biology, according to Mrs. Hammond, was that it provided students with a better understanding of their bodies. "That's really important in today's world," she concluded.

OOPS! WRONG KEY! Suzanne Frye proves that the hand is quicker than the eye sometimes, as she types away in Office Practice.

A Difficult Choice

Electives are an essential part of school life. They provide variety to the curriculum and allow students to decide what they might want as a possible career.

"Even though we do not have a lot of fringe courses such as photography and Latin, we do offer a wide range for the college-bound students," stated Rosemary Black, guidance counselor.

Students often had a hard time deciding which road to take. Geometry or Consumer math, Developmental Reading or Physics were only two of the decisions confronting students.

"It's hard to decide whether to take courses that are more challenging or to take the easier courses and get good grades," commented Chris Letson.

Several of the elective classes were very unique. The mass media class, taught by Kenny Barfield, produced a film entitled *Body Man,* starring Doug Posey.

The chemistry class, taught by Don Snodgrass, produced a great stench in one of their experiments. Next door Mrs. Hammond's physical science class watched tadpoles change to frogs.

Whatever the decision most students enjoyed their electives.

A HOP, SKIP, and a jump away from a healthy body is Scott Farris.

P.E. Classes Active

Exercising, running, playing softball, baseball, and basketball . . .

All these activities were parts of daily routine for P.E. students.

P.E. was required for all students in grades 7-12. Coach Beth Brewer taught the girls' classes, while Coaches David Williams and Steve Bates were instructors for the boys.

Pickleball was a new sport enjoyed by the boys.

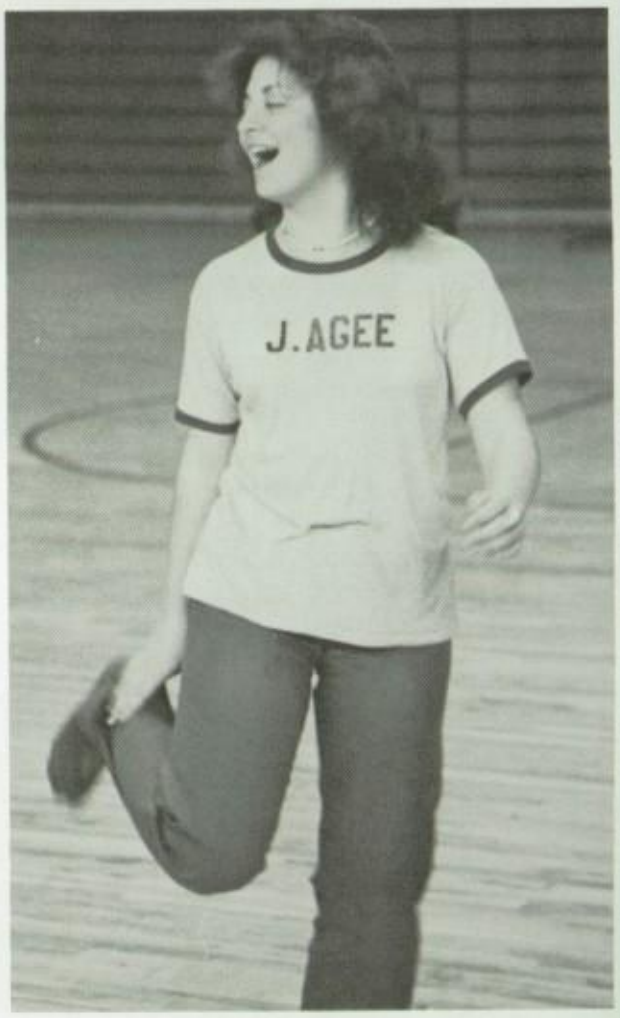
"It's great!" Jimmy Gann said. "It's a lot like tennis and it's lots of fun."

A special unit on fitness gave the girls a chance to demonstrate their ability to create aerobics routines.

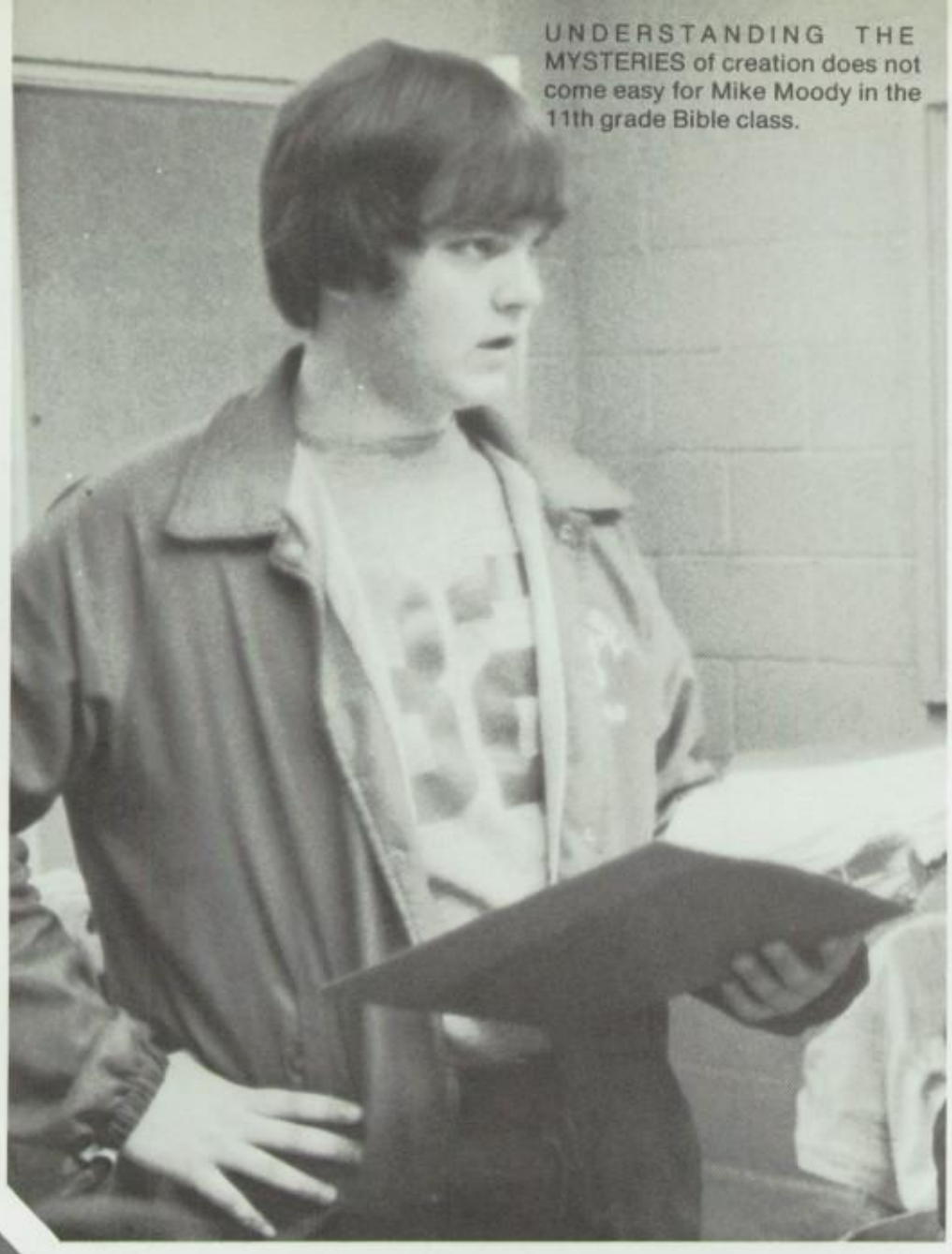
After several weeks of doing aerobics to a record where all the exercises were already planned, the classes divided into groups and coordinated their own routines to music they chose themselves.

"Making up routines was a lot of fun," L'Nita Jamison said. "It let us be creative and we also learned a lot."

P.E. was a required class, but students welcomed a chance to get exercise after sitting in class six periods a day.



MOVING TO THE MUSIC, Joan Agee enjoys learning new aerobic routines in the 9th grade P.E. class.



UNDERSTANDING THE MYSTERIES of creation does not come easy for Mike Moody in the 11th grade Bible class.

Bible Is the Key

Bible was the most important subject taught at the school. If a student received an 'F' in Bible during any six weeks period he was put on probation until he brought it up. "Since the school was founded on Bible principles, we make Bible the most important subject," principal Lawrence Williams said. "That's why we put so much emphasis on passing grades."

Divided into the different programs of study for each grade, the Bible curriculum was set up to provide students with a well-rounded knowledge of the Bible.

In the Seventh grade, boys and girls were divided. They studied the plan of redemption, the life of Christ, and how to deal with everyday problems. Eighth graders, raught by Ron Lumpkins, did a survey of the Bible. They studied the evolution of the Bible from scrolls up to its present day form. The scheme of redemption was subject of ninth grade Bible study. Carl Seigenthaler, Sr. taught the course. Coach Steve Bates taught tenth grade Bible. His methods of teaching included relating popular songs to Bible study. Taught by Kenny Barfield, juniors learned how to prove their faith by studying evolution, creation and other religions. Seniors studied the book of Hebrews under Lawrence Williams in their final year of Bible instruction, and Robert Huffaker also talked with them about proper attitudes of a Christian.

Guidance Work Is Varied for Counselor

Guidance counselor Rosemary Black summed up her job by stating, "My job is never the same!" It seemed to be the truth.

The guidance office was a hub of activity for students. At any given time during the day, the office was filled with students talking to Miss Black and Mrs. Mary Alice Wilhelm about various aspects of student life.

Both counselors were kept busy with guidance. They were responsible for giving achievement and mental maturity tests, scheduling classes, providing college and career information, and doing personal counseling.

One of the most important parts of counseling was helping students make choices. Decisions such as where to go to college and what kind of career to pursue were problems the counselors faced every day.

"We just try to help people make the right choices," Mrs. Wilhelm said.

"It's great when you see someone become a happier person because of you," Miss Black added.

STUDENTS ARE ALWAYS anxious to receive their ACT scores. Rosemary Black looks over the scores before releasing them to the students.

Board Directs School Policies

Dedication, hard work, and a whole lot more is what it takes to make a good board member.

The seven board members serve for seven years. Each year, one board member steps down and a new one is added.

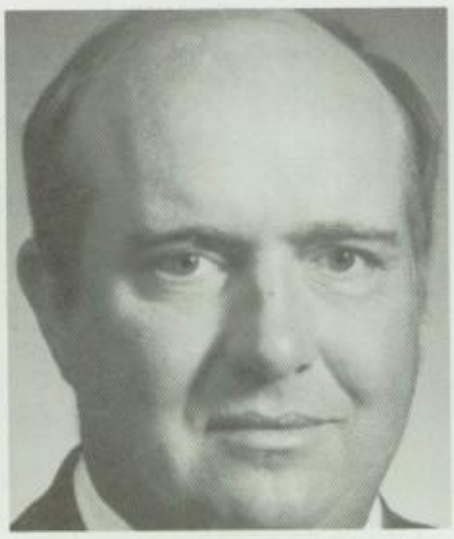
Board members were responsible for revising school rules and creating policies for the school.

Ralph Foster

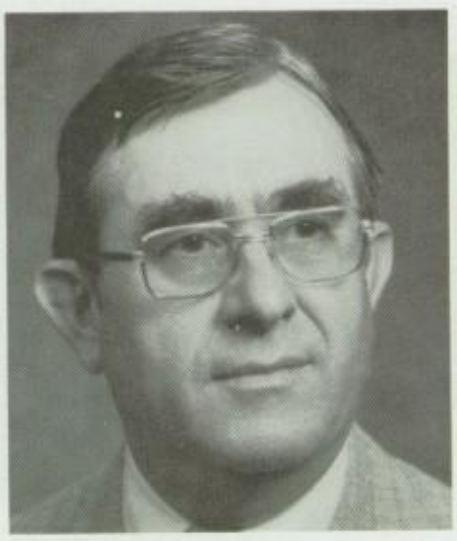
Lois A. Behel

William Britton

Glyn Hollis



William Carter Reid



Charles Woodfin

Dr. Robert B. Mann

MAKING DECISIONS that will determine how the school is run, Principal Lawrence Williams and Board members spent many long hours together discussing school problems.

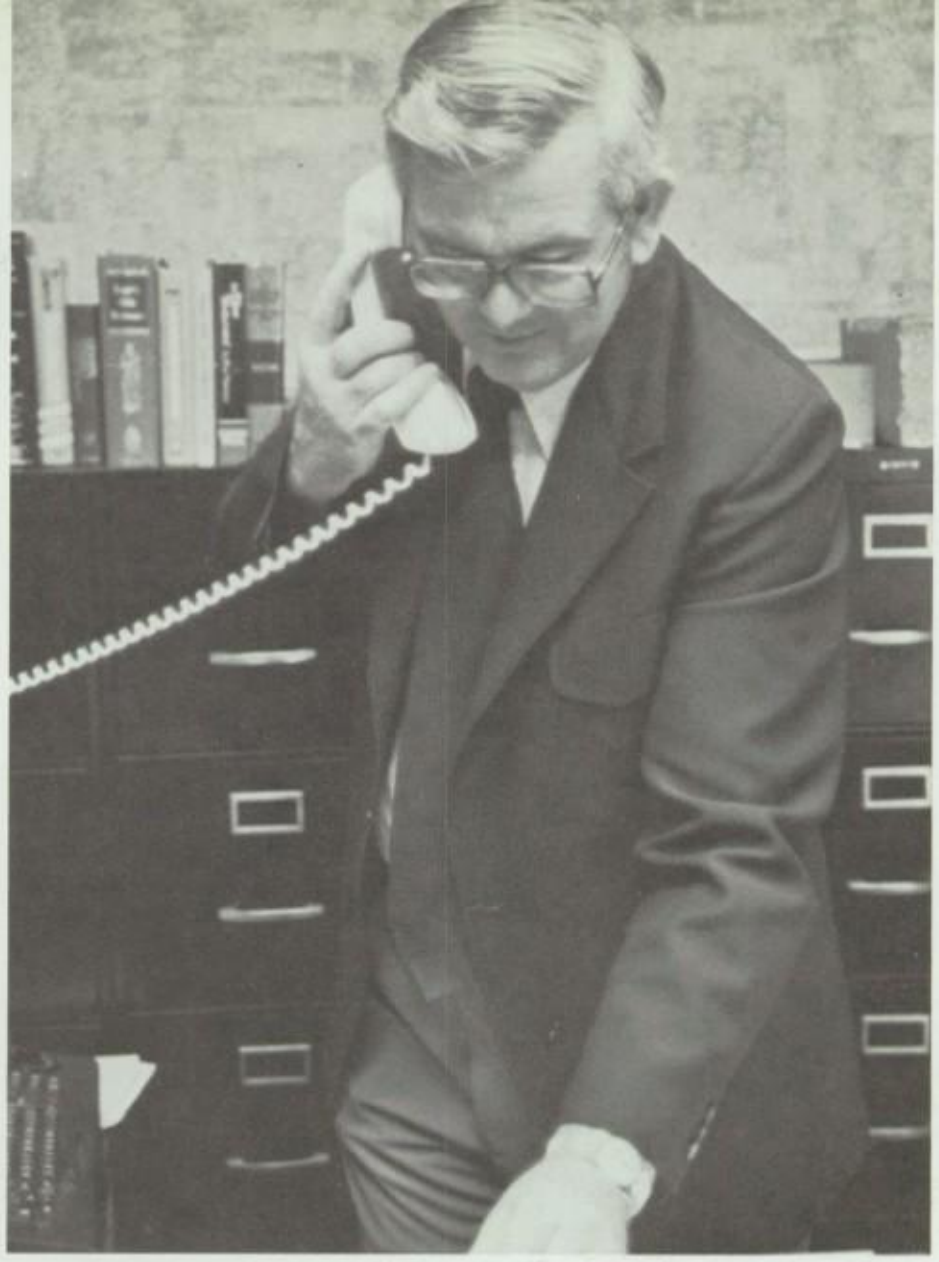
Principal Works Hard for M.H.

It takes hard work to be a principal.

Scheduling, teachers meetings, discipline, grading systems, motivation techniques, planning chapel, and a multitude of countless chores fill an average day for high school principal Lawrence Williams.

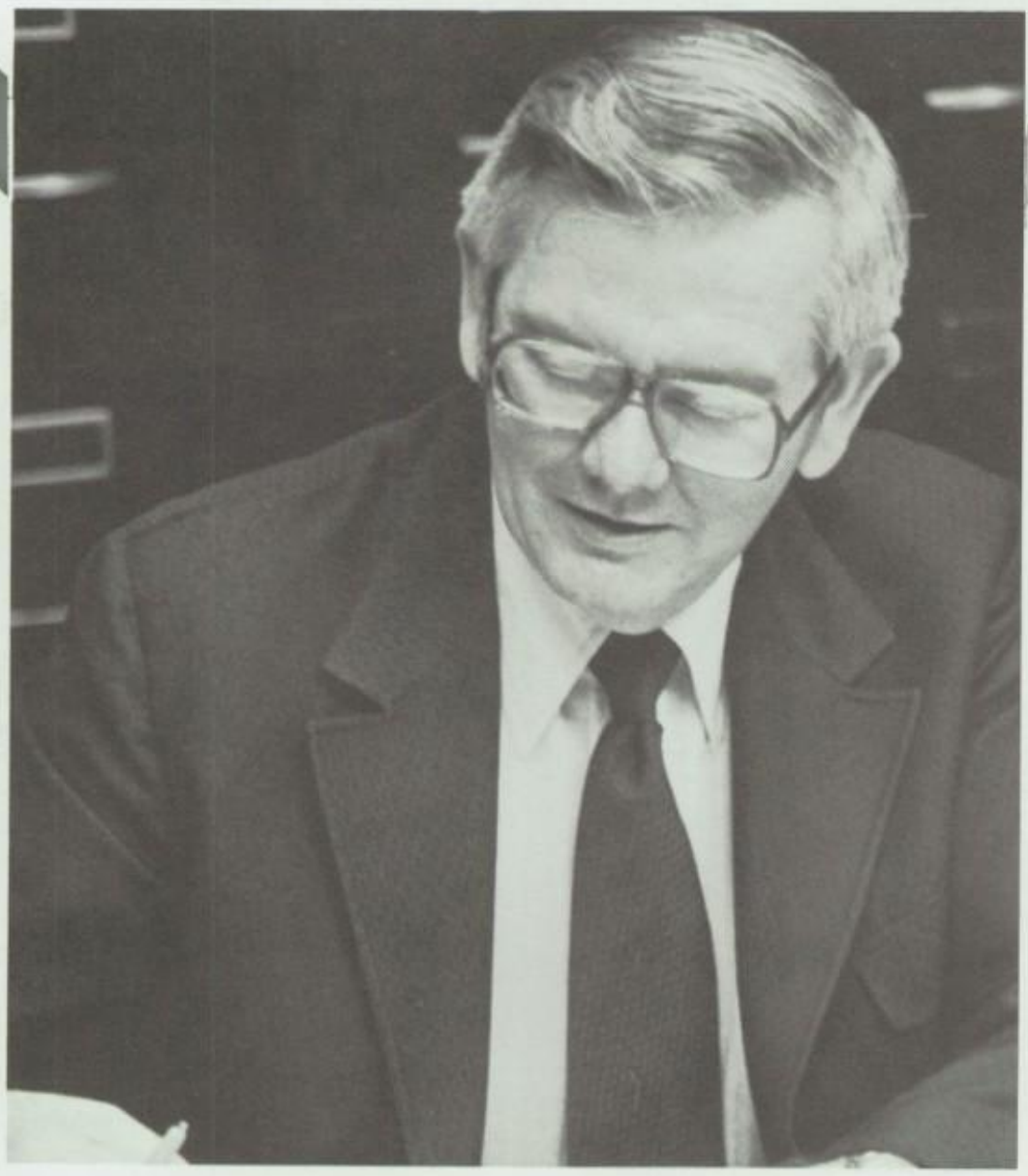
"Keeping the school running really does take a lot of time," said Mr. Williams. In fact, an average day may very well have begun by 7:00 a.m. and seldom closed before 4:00 p.m. During sports season, average days ran from 7:00 a.m. until the closing of the gym after 10:00 p.m.

Still, Mr. Williams found time to meet with and encourage students, teachers and parents.



DIRECTING a board meeting, Jack Wilhelm tries to get important facts across.

"TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS," Jack Wilhelm clears up details on the phone.



PAPER WORK is one of the more tedious aspects of Jack Wilhelm's job.

President's Job Is Never Finished

Raising money, making speeches, and attending dinners — all these responsibilities were everyday events for school President Jack Wilhelm.

"I'm the equivalent of a superintendent in the city school system," he explained. "I handle the financing, fund raising, public relations, and the liaison between the board of directors and the school employees."

The biggest problem in running the school, according to Wilhelm, was providing adequate financing to keep the school in operation.

"**It's really hard** to meet financial needs with the inflation rate rising like it is. I have to find ways to supplement income without having to hike tuition," he commented.

Wilhelm combined his work as President with church work at Highland Park, and a daily television devotional on local television. He has done about 4500 segments since the program was begun almost 25 years ago.

Wilhelm seemed to enjoy his work as President. "It's very rewarding. I like the diversity of it, being able to do a lot of different things," he concluded.

Keeping It Together

When most people think of a school, they think of students and faculty as being the only people around.

But just as important to a school's operation is its extra staff.

"Most people think of staff members as being just faculty," Lawrence Williams commented. "But the staff members other than teachers are vital to the function of the school. They just don't get noticed as much as teachers."

Staff members included Mrs. Catherine Reatherford, library assistant. Mrs. Reatherford has been working here for two years. She lacks a college degree, which explains why she is not a full-fledged librarian.

Mrs. Reatherford explained why she applied for the job of library assistant by stating, "I first worked in the lunchroom so I could earn money to send my kids to school out here. When the position of library assistant opened up, I applied because I thought it would be interesting and a challenge.

"It also gives me a chance to be at home when my children are," she concluded.

The" lunchroom ladies," as they were affectionately known by students, worked under the supervision of Mrs. Ethel Darnell. Mrs. Darnell took care of the money, planned the menu, and generally kept the lunchroom running smoothly.

"I do the buying, the hiring, the menus, and the money," Mrs. Darnell explained. "I love my job," she continued. "It gives me something to do and to look forward to."

On many occasions the lunchroom ladies worked overtime. They helped prepare food for fund-raising events such as the spaghetti supper, the monthly Endowment dinners, and other special functions.

"Taking care of special functions was one of our biggest and hardest jobs," Gladys Jones said. "But it was worth it to be able to help the school."

Up until the burning of the cafeteria in late April, the lunchroom ladies kept students' stomachs filled with hot, nutritious cooking.

"The lunchroom ladies were great," Suzanne Frye enthused. "They always worked super hard and I really appreciate that."

Not only must students be fed; they must also be transported to and from school. MH maintained a fleet of eleven buses, and keeping them in good running order was a full time job.

There were two mechanics employed to keep the buses going. They were Gifford Myhan and Claude O'Kelley.

"I've been working out here for many years, and I really love it," Mr. Myhan commented.

Mr. O'Kelley added, "It's really an interesting job, and it's nice to be able to contribute to keeping MH running."

Some of the duties performed by the mechanics included gassing up the buses, changing batteries and tires, doing tune-ups, and any other repairs.

Though the mechanics worked in a somewhat obscure location and weren't too often noticed by other staff members, they also played a vital role in keeping the school operational.

Keeping the school operational also required large amounts of money. One of the many ways money was raised was through the bookstore.

Under the management of Brother Linville Hanback, the bookstore took care of virtually all the needs of area churches, plus they did business with students, teachers, and the general public.

"We do business with people from all over the area, but mostly Sunday school teachers and preachers," Janie Bogus said. "Most churches buy all their supplies here."

An addition to the bookstore this year was the arrival of the "mini-bookstore." Located in the elementary building, the mini-bookstore was a life-saver for students who needed supplies at the last minute.

"We started the mini-bookstore mainly for convenience," Linville Hanback stated. "It keeps the students from having to walk all the way to the bookstore every time they need something in a hurry."

Though the school buildings and grounds seemed small to most people, they appeared awfully big to members of the "stench crew."

The crew, comprised mostly of students and led by Richard Kelly, spent long, after-school hours cleaning the buildings. They swept, mopped, vacuumed, emptied trash cans, and occasionally washed desk tops and the walls of the bathroom stalls.

Staff members were truly the "unsung heroes," but without them the school would most probably have to shut down.

A Secretary's Job

More than just a secretary, Mrs. Goodman was a jack-of-all trades who virtually kept the office running.

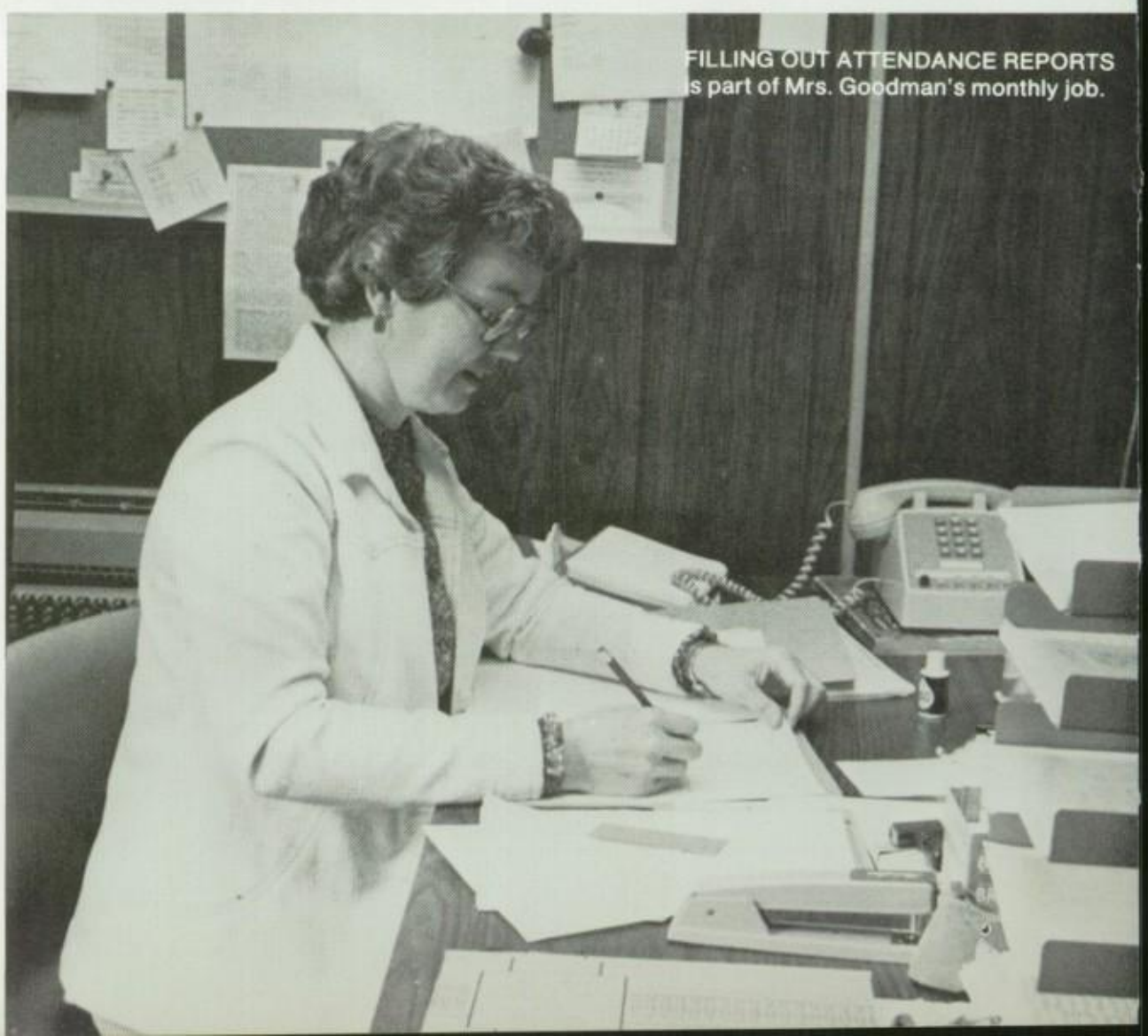
"She's more than just a secretary," Lawrence Williams explained. "She does everything around here!"

Mrs. Goodman has been working at the school for fourteen years, the last four in the high school.

Some of Mrs. Goodman's duties include fixing coffee for the teachers in the morning, making sure the Coke machine stayed filled, delivering messages, running errands, getting the mail, and doing the countless other jobs required to keep the office functioning properly.

"I love working here," she commented. "There's a real sense of satisfaction in knowing I might have made someone's day better."

When asked what she liked best about her job, Mrs. Goodman answered, "The best thing is encountering the friendly students who have time to say hello and smile. That means a lot in the course of a day's work."



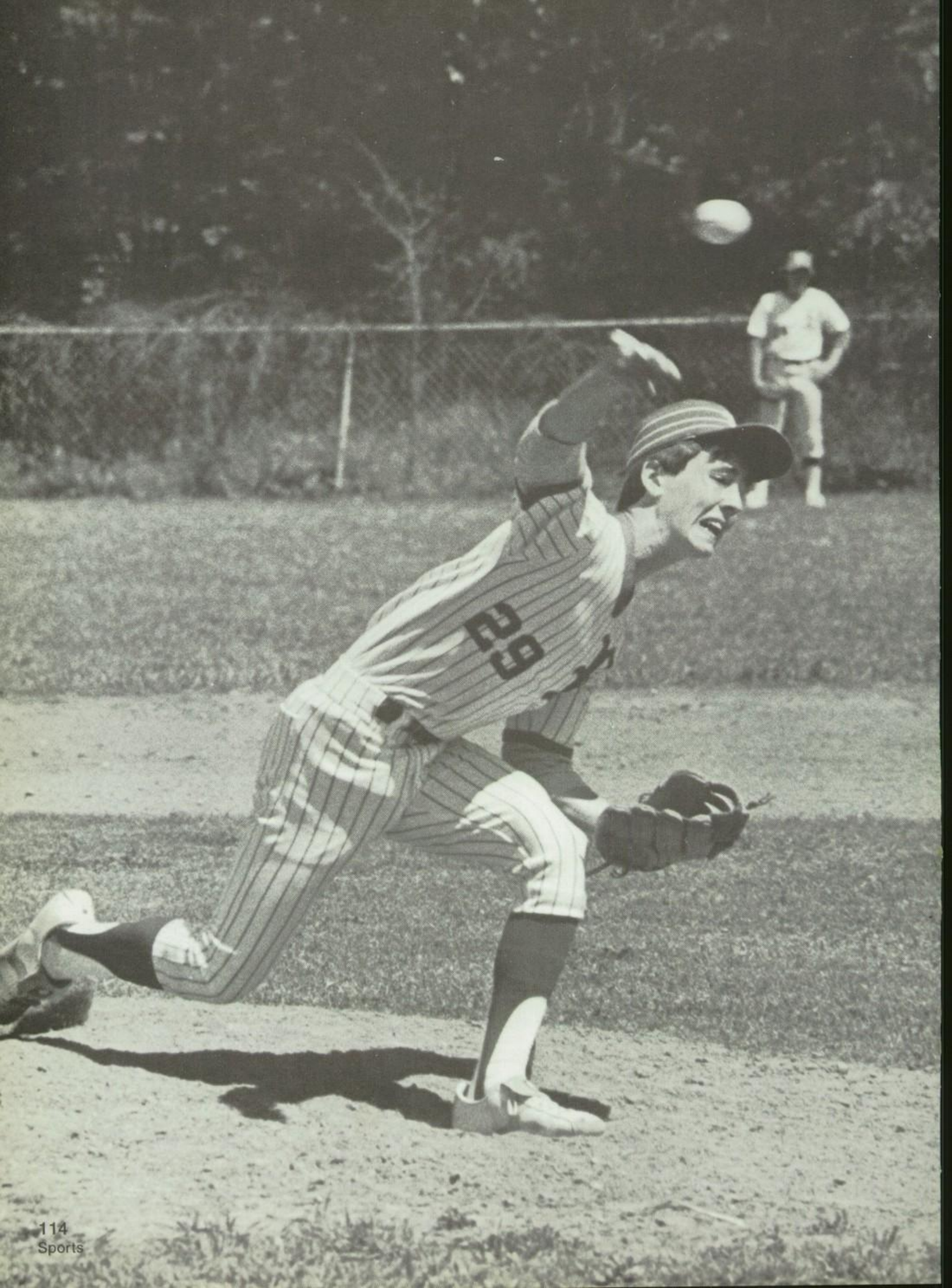
FILLING OUT ATTENDANCE REPORTS is part of Mrs. Goodman's monthly job.

AN INCONSPICUOUS GRIN from Gifford Myhan and Sonny O'Kelley doesn't give a hint of all the hard work these mechanics face every day.

LUNCHROOM WORKERS: (seated left to right) Gladys Jones, Etoyle Abston, Beverly Buchanan. (standing left to right) Novella Anderson, Beverly Gargis, Joan Phillips, Jean Pennington. Photo right: Superintendent Ethel Darnell.

THUMBING THROUGH the pages of books is just another part of being a library aid, as Catherine Reatherford finds out.

BOOKSTORE WORKERS: (seated left to right) Ann Huggins, Cindy Campbell, Debbie Burbank, Nancy Seigenthaler. (standing left to right) Martha Nell Pilkinton, Janie Bogus, Jane Cooper, Linville Hanback, Martha Ann Nichols, Lucretia Gooch, Avis England.



Things you always wanted to know about sports

*Mars Hill athletics owns 75 basketballs, 36 are leather.
*There are 473 boards across the new gym floor and 393 across the floor of the old gym.
*The scoreboard contains 729 lights.
*There are 68 springs in the trampoline.
*The weight machine has 107 weights, totaling 1575 pounds.
*Coach Brewer's career record is 66-34. Coach Williams' mark stands at 65-47.
*Members of the girls' team spent 202 hours in practice in 1981.
*There are 21 light fixtures in the new gym.
*MH owns six pickle-ball paddles.

FIRING A FAST BALL Stephen Bridges hopes for a strike.

TEARS AND FRUSTRATIONS filled the year for cheerleader Nina Hargett as MH teams lost in the tournaments.

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Greg Darby, Keith Robinson, Amanda Thompson, editors

Ups and Downs

Mercurial. That's the way to describe the game of basketball. A ten point lead can be lost in a matter of seconds. A team that looks like a loser early in the season may become state champions. It is the constantly changing, fast-paced nature of basketball that gives any season its share of ups and downs.

Emotional ups and downs play a large part in the success or failure of a team. This was the case in the first game of the area play offs. The Panthers met Athens Bible School, but according to Coach David Williams, "were not emotionally ready to play. Athens played better basketball." Therefore, the Panthers dropped this important game 67-62.

The loss to Athens was attributed to other factors as well. "We should have won the game. Lack of experience and fouls and rebounds hurt," said Mark Behel, forward. "We just got some tough breaks," Tyler Swinea remarked, "Their shots fell for them, but ours didn't." Joel Kendrick felt the team itself had to take the blame. "We weren't ready. We expected to win with no trouble because we were looking to other games," he said. Stephen Bridges concurs, "I hated to lose. We went into the game too confident and weren't mentally ready."

Colbert County
DLC Invitational
Brooks
Central
Muscle Shoals
Athens Bible

DOWNS

UPS

Rogers
Madison Academy
Wilson
Lexington
Waterloo
Belgreen
Deshler

If the Athens game was the low point for the Panthers, beating Wilson was the high point. Jeff Hester considered it the biggest win of the season. "We won because they beat us by 20 before, but we came back. They are our main rivals," said Jeff. There was a turn-around in attitude after this game, with the entire team becoming more optimistic about future games.

The attitude upswing after the Wilson game carried the Panthers through their next game, helping them win over Lexington 57-54. Inconsistency plagued the Panthers for the next seven games, including wins over Waterloo, Belgreen, and Rogers, and losses to Lauderdale County, Central and Muscle Shoals.

Various explanations were offered for the inconsistent record. "Inexperience and injuries were two of the biggest problems this year. We played hurt all year. Sometimes half of the team was out at once," said Coach Williams. Statistician Keith Robinson also attributes some of the problem to lack of experience. "Only two seniors started and only one of them had experience. Luck also seemed to play a part," he added. "Sometimes they'd have an off night. A lot also depended on the opponent. Sometimes they would have a great night and still not be able to win," he said.

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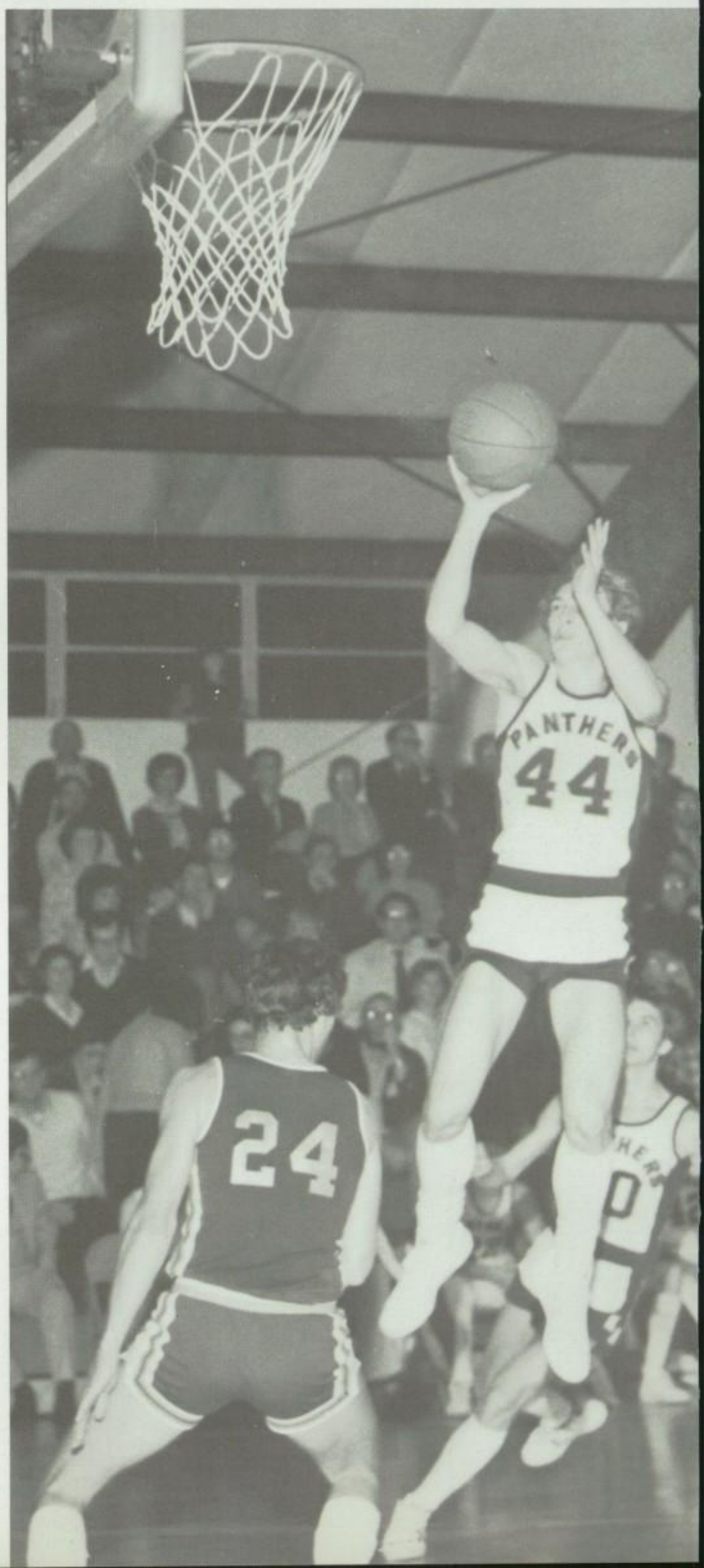

UP AND IN goes the ball as Mark Behel shoots over the head of a Mustang defender. MH won 77 to 63.

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The season started on a high note for the squad as they won three of their first four encounters. Athens Bible was disposed of easily on Nov. 14 as five players scored in double figures. Leading the way in the 78-59 decision was David Garrett who scored 20 points. Other players with more than ten points included Mark Behel (15), David Woods (14), Miles Stutts (12), and Tyler Swinea (11).

Garrett and the Panther offense continued in high gear as Clements fell 86-78. Garrett had a season high 28 points while Behel added 18, Woods and Stutts 13 apiece, and Jeff Hester scored 10.

A loss to 3A state champion Colbert County was followed by a 71-70 win over Phil Cambell on the road. Behel (20), Garrett (18), Stutts (15), and Woods (10) led the way again.

Back to back losses in the David Lipscomb Invitational dropped the team record to a 3-3 before the Panthers reeled off three consecutive victories in mid-December.

Freshman center David Woods began to be a key factor in the offense as he scored 54 points in the three game stretch for the Panthers. Still, balance on offense was evident as four starters hit double figures in each of the three wins.

Once again, however, inconsistency hit and the three wins were punctuated by three losses and the squad entered the second half of the season at 6-6.

A 56-41 win over area opponent Mt. Hope and a 68-65 deci-

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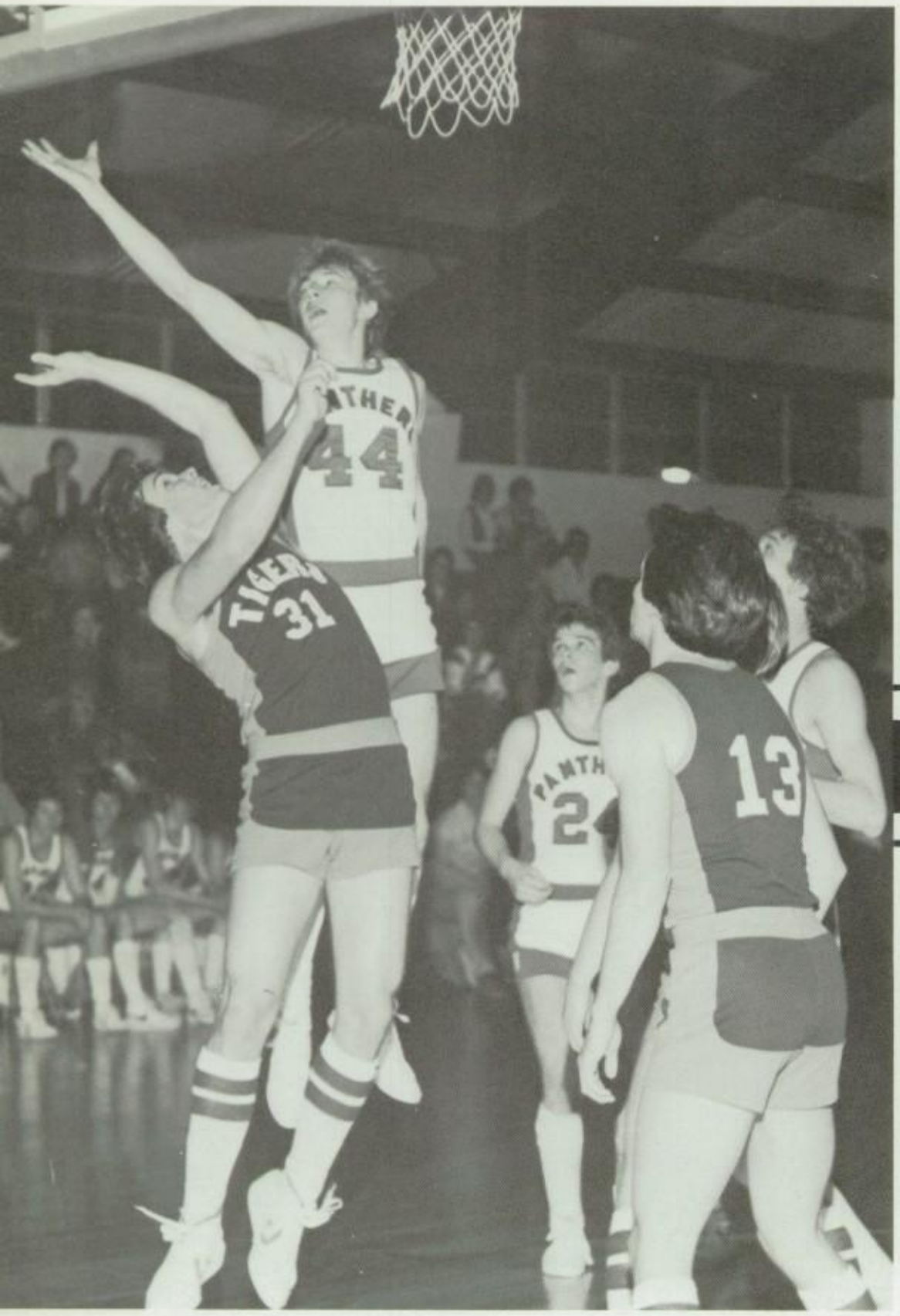
STRUGGLING FOR A perfect shot David Woods shoots over the hands of a Red Bay defender.

FIRING IT IN from the perimeter is Mark Behel as David Woods and David Garrett get position for a possible rebound.



Inconsistency plagued the Panthers throughout the year due mainly to inexperience.

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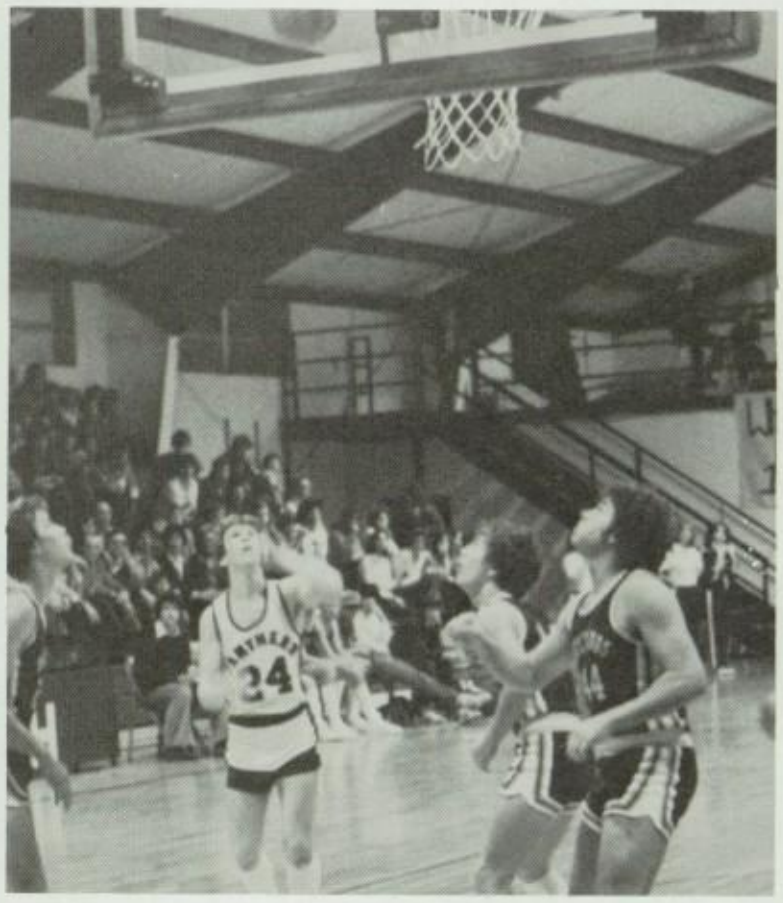
sion of rival Wilson started the new year looking bright. The win over a good Wilson team was especially satisfying as the offensive consistency returned. Woods led the way (19), while Garrett (12), Behel (12), and Hester (12) each scored consistently.

Victories in two of the next three games gave Coach Williams' crew a 10-7 mark and things were looking up once again. Lexington was bumped 67-54 as the team hit a season high 86.2% from the free throw line. A narrow loss to area 2A power Rogersville was followed by an 89-75 blasting of Waterloo. In the game with the Cougars both Woods (30) and Stutts (21) hit



STOP ACTION! Tyler Swinea and David Woods converge on the boards hoping Tyler's shot will go in.

season high in scoring.

Two more wins pushed the record to 12-8.

Led by the scoring of Woods (21), Behel (14), and Garrett (14) the Panthers overcame a 31-30 halftime deficit to beat the Bulldogs in Belgreen. All nine team members scored on Feb. 6 as Rogers fell easily by a 77-56 count.

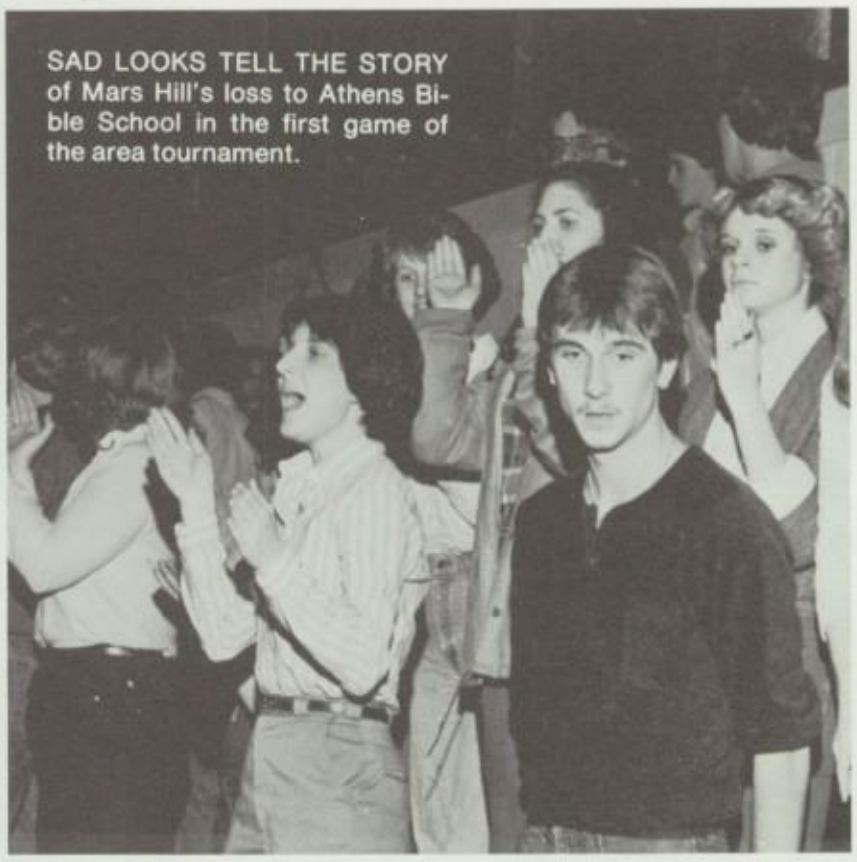
Based on the year's up and down pattern, the team's consistency faded and MH dropped two of its last three games to Muscle Shoals (56-54) and Athens Bible (69-62) and finished the year with a 13-10 record in what everyone knew would be a rebuilding year.

Whatever the reasons for this year's ups and downs the players and Coach Williams have already planned to make next year mostly up. Tyler Swinea hopes for the ultimate. "I think we will win State," he said. A graduating senior, Mark Behel, agrees. "Next year's team will be great." Coach Williams is also confident. "We'll have a very competitive team. We will play much better next year than this year. We'll have a lot of good people back, because only two starters are graduating. It will be tough to beat the competition in our area, but I think we'll be a winner."

TEAMWORK IS SHOWN as David Woods passes to David Garrett on a fastbreak.

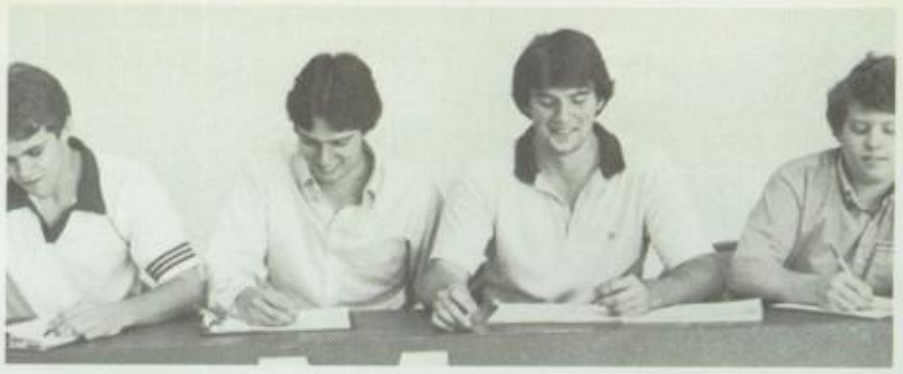
LEAPING HIGH ABOVE the rest Mark Behel soars for the rebound. The Panthers lost to Red Bay 83-81 despite his effort.

UP THROUGH THE crowd David Garrett puts it in over the Madison Academy defense.



SAD LOOKS TELL THE STORY of Mars Hill's loss to Athens Bible School in the first game of the area tournament.

TAKING IT TO the boards was a speciality performed often by David Woods. Here he adds two, but in a losing effort as the Panthers lost to Red Bay.



This year's Panther team consisted of Blake Stephenson, David Garrett, Jeff Hester, Mark Behel, Joel Kendrick, David Woods, Miles Stutts, Eddie Woods, Tyler Swinea and Stephen Bridges.
ASSISTING COACH WILLIAMS this year was Ed Crowell, David Covington, Keith Robinson and Bobby Grigsby.

Varsity Basketball

CHALLENGING A TIGER defender, Tyler Swinea goes up for a slap at the rebound.

CHEERING THEIR TEAM ON, fans and cheerleaders boost spirit in the Homecoming win over Madison Academy.

Statistics									
Player	FGA	FGM	PCT	FTA	FTM	PCT	RPG	PTS	PPG
Behel M.	267	125	43%	48	36	75%	4.2	286	12.4
Bridges S.	22	9	41%	22	9	41%	1.1	27	1.2
Garrett D.	238	133	46%	125	98	78%	5.3	364	15.1
Kendrick J.	5	4	80%	10	1	10%	0.4	9	0.5
Hester J.	178	71	39%	52	32	61%	2.9	174	7.2
Stutts M.	189	86	45%	61	42	68%	5.6	214	10.7
Swinea T.	97	48	49%	50	32	64%	3.5	128	5.8
Woods D.	308	172	55%	123	72	58%	10.3	416	17.3

HALFTIME PROVES TO be a good time for Coach David Williams to discuss problems with the officials.
WOULD YOU BELIEVE indoor football? David Garrett and Miles Stutts scramble for a loose ball.

Boy's Basketball Results
13 wins, 11 losses

MH	78	Athens	59	MH	56	Mt. Hope	41
MH	86	Clements	78	MH	63	Brooks	67
MH	62	Colbert County	82	MH	68	Wilson	65
MH	71	Phil Cambell	70	MH	67	Lexington	54
MH	51	Nash. Christian	58	MH	59	LCHS	68
MH	63	Goodpasture	67	MH	89	Waterloo	75
MH	61	Lexington	46	MH	49	Central	80
MH	89	Rogers	77	MH	68	Belgreen	56
MH	77	Madison Academy	63	MH	77	Rogers	56
MH	81	Red Bay	83	MH	54	Muscle Shoals	56
MH	62	Wilson	82	MH	69	Deshler	62
MH	62	Sheffield	80	MH	62	Athens Bible	67

ANXIOUS MOMENTS during the area finals with Hazelwood kept the team listening to Coach Brewer's instructions.

A Big Disappointment

A dream vanished slowly but surely on that cold February night at the Speake gym. Hazlewood's Lady Bears had just denied MH a fourth consecutive trip to the state tournament, 57-51.

Chances for a second state title had been snatched away.

A string of three consecutive area crowns was broken.

Four seniors, three of them starters, had played their last game for the blue and white.

It hurt.

It was a big disappointment.

"**Everyone expected us to win** the area again," Coach Beth Brewer reflected. "Maybe that was the problem. I guess we were just too overconfident. Still, we had a good year and I'll always be proud of the way the girls took the loss. They were hurt, but they showed more class than I've seen in a long time."

The area title game was everything it should have been. Neither team was able to dominate the scoreboard. Hazlewood's rebounding strength offset the Lady Panthers' quickness. In the end it was a case of not being able to get key rebounds and make crucial baskets that spelled defeat. Seconds ticked away, the final horn sounded and the agony of defeat was crushing.

With tears streaming down their cheeks, the MH players, fans and cheerleaders huddled, then led a cheer for the victors. Hazlewood fans and players alike were stunned. "You people are the best sports I've ever seen," one Hazlewood fan said. Another Bear fan who had been rather vocal in her comments about MH all evening was noticeably quiet.

"That game was one of the saddest moments of my life," said senior Lisa Harris. "It meant basketball was over. But I'll always remember what happened at the end. That was important too because when we play we represent the school and I think a lot of people had a lot more respect for MH afterwards."

Coach Brewer's squad earned the area finals by defeat-

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IN FAST ACTION offense, Jolie Harrison dribbles the ball for two points.

KEEPING THE RECORDS for the Lady Panthers are (left to right) Lori Nester, Charlotte Draper, Donna Hester, and Renee Terry.

MEMBERS OF THE 1981 basketball team are (left to right) Tomasue Weber, Angela Longshore, Monnie McGuire, Amanda Gifford, Ginger McGuire. (second row) Sharon Goolsby, Amy Cochran, Lisa Harris, Donna Watkins, Amanda Thompson, and Jolie Harrison.

Mt. Hope had fallen easily, 56-34. Unbeaten Belgreen was topped 49-39. Then came the heartbreaking loss in the finals. And through it all a coach, a team, and a group of fans showed a lot of class. A game may have been lost but a place in people's hearts was won.

Girl's Basketball

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ing Mount Hope, 56-34, and Beigreen, 49-39. "We had a lot of momentum going into the game," added Donna Watkins. "We really should have won, but then we were so 'off' and the shots just wouldn't fall."

MH opened the year with a 49-26 trouncing of Randolph. 'Minner' Thompson led the scoring with 29 points and Donna Watkins added seven.

Following a 62-55 setback to 4-A Coffee, the girls stormed back to rout Colbert County, 44-22, and Phil Campbell, 47-27.

An opening loss to Tennessee power Goodpasture, 48-25, in the first round of the David Lipscomb Invitational, was avenged by decisioning Boyd-Buchanan, 49-34, and Middle Tennessee Christian, 47-42. 'Minner' Thompson led the team in the tournament with 52 points and was named to the Tournament team.

A 51-39 win over Madison Academy was surrounded by defeats to area 2-A and 3-A powers Lexington (36-25), Rogers (72-47) and Red Bay (54-45).

Three consecutive wins, then three more losses, ended the regular season.

In the course of the year several individual honors came

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SPRINGING INTO ACTION is 'Minner' Thompson as she attempts to score one more basket. (Right)

"HANDS UP!" Donna Watkins awaits a rebound (Left)

AN EYE ON THE BALL! Jolie Harrison is aware of what's going on around her. (Center)

LAY UPS COME EASY as 'Minner' breaks for two more points.

"Basketball has been a really great experience for me. There were times when things got hard, but it was worth it all. Though I didn't get to play much, how we did meant as much to me as to anyone else."

— Amanda Gifford, senior

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to members of the team. 'Minner' Thompson was named to both the all-county and all-area teams, and was a member of the *Times-Daily* 1-A 2-A Northwest Alabama team. Donna Watkins and Lisa Harris were also named to the all-area squad.

After looking back on the year, almost everyone seemed to believe the effort was worthwhile. "Basketball has been a really great experience for me," said Amanda Gifford. "There were times when things got hard (like running Super Vegas Drills), but it was worth it all. Though I didn't get to play much, how we did meant as much to me as to anyone else."

Jolie Harrison agreed. "It's unbelievable how the new girls caught on so fast. They really added to the team! Whether on the court, or on the bench, we had spirit, especially in the last games."

The frustrations and disappointments of a year that didn't quite reach the peaks that were expected also managed to seep through the pride of what was accomplished.

"This season was okay," said Donna Watkins. "I really think we could have done better. We had a lot of talent and ability but like a lot of other teams we had problems working together and being 'one.' But once we got that out of the way we really played some some good games."

As is always true, the memories of a year will often

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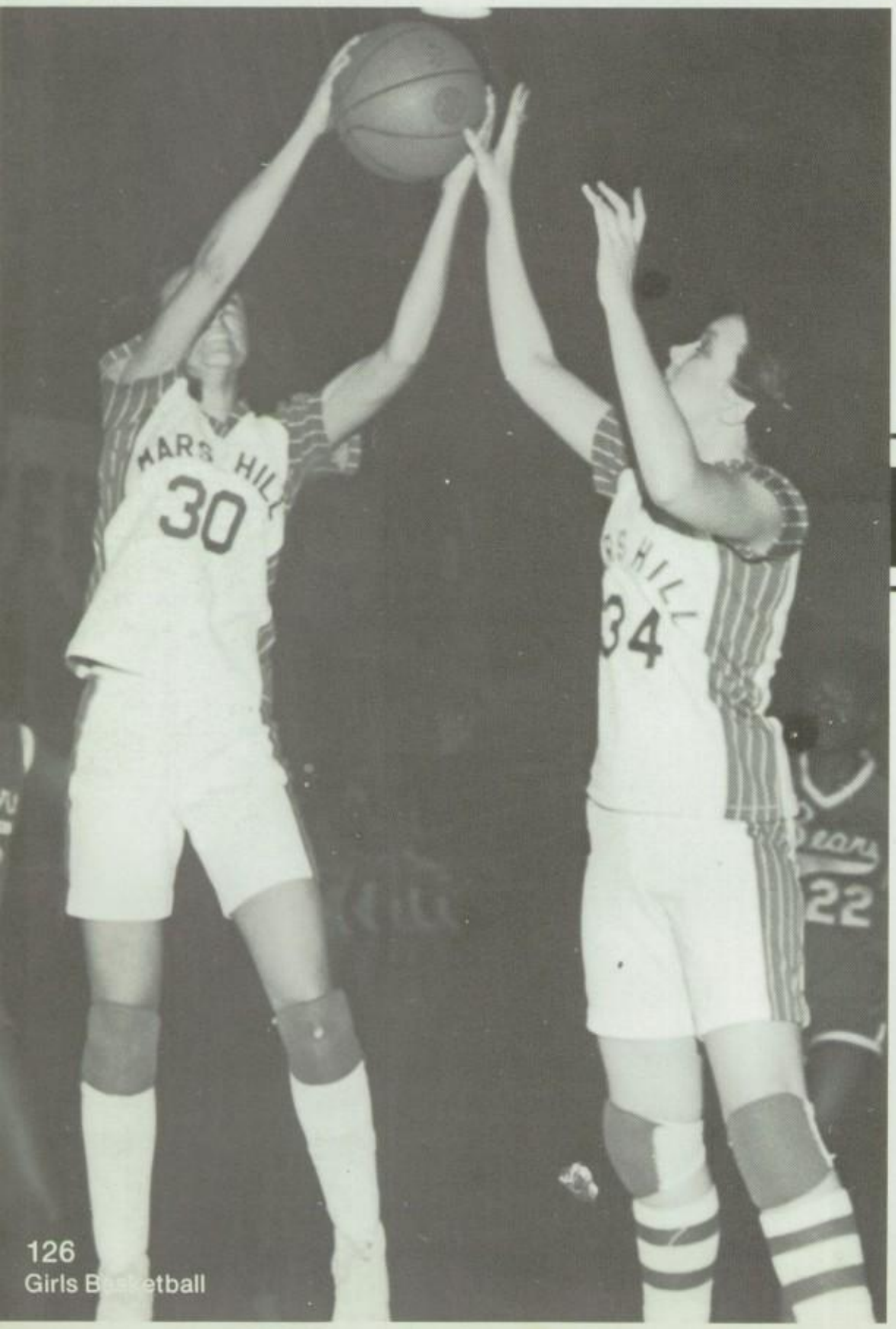
GET THAT TIP! Amanda Gifford tries to get the jump ball to a teammate.

Statistics

PLAYER	FGA	FGM	PCT	FTA	FTM	PCT	RPG	PTS	PPG
Weber T.S.	226	81	30%	49	27	55%	2.2	189	9.4
Thompson A.	313	149	48%	159	96	60%	9.6	394	19.8
Harris L.	164	51	31%	35	19	54%	7.5	121	6.0
Gifford A.	14	3	21%	13	9	69%	0.2	11	0.5
Watkins D.	133	34	26%	49	17	35%	7.2	85	4.2
Harrison J.	60	18	30%	8	3	38%	2.0	39	1.9
McGuire M.	31	12	39%	8	2	25%	2.1	25	1.2
Cochran A.	34	9	26%	20	9	45%	1.9	27	1.3
McGuire G.	18	4	22%	15	6	40%	0.6	14	0.7
Longshore A.	31	8	26%	8	3	38%	1.2	21	1.0
Goolsby S.	21	2	10%	17	8	47%	1.0	15	0.7

Girl's Basketball Results
11 Wins 9 Losses

MH 49	Randolph	26	MH 45	Red Bay	54
MH 55	Coffee	62	MH 53	Wilson	40
MH 44	Colbert County	22	MH 67	Mt. Hope	37
MH 47	Phil Campbell	27	MH 47	Brooks	43
MH 25	Goodpasture	48	MH 49	Wilson	53
MH 49	Boyd-Buchanan	34	MH 28	Lexington	45
MH 47	Middle Tenn.	42	MH 55	Sheffield	65
MH 25	Lexington	36	MH 56	Mt. Hope	34
MH 47	Rogers	72	MH 49	Belgreen	39
MH 51	Madison Academy	39	MH 51	Hazelwood	57



1980-81 team awards went to 'Minner' Thompson (MVP), Amanda Gifford (Spirit), Lisa Harris and Amy Cochran (Improvement), and Tomasue Weber (Defense).

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center around the high points and for the girls' team, 1980-81 was no exception.

"The game" of the year was on December 19 when MH invaded Wilson for a battle with the Lady Warriors.

Led by three field goals by Lisa Harris and two by 'Minner' Thompson, the Lady Panthers struggled to a 10-7 lead over their host.

The 10-7 lead expanded quickly in the second stanza to a 29-18 halftime bulge. By the end of the third quarter MH led 46-25 and the reserves held on in the last frame to give the Lady Panthers a 53-40 win.

"Beating Wilson meant a lot to us," Donna Watkins said. "They were a good team. They're a close rival. And . . . I live in that area."

Teamwise, the most consistent effort came a week earlier against Madison Academy in the MH gym. Nine of the 11 team members scored, all 11 played, and everyone contributed.

'Minner' Thompson led the scoring parade with 17 points. Others scoring were Jolie Harrison (8), Tomasue Weber (6), Donna Watkins (6), Lisa Harris (4), Ginger McGuire (4), Amanda Gifford (3), Monnie McGuire (2), and Sharon Goolsby, (1).

It was also Homecoming.

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ON THE MOVE! Angela Longshore kept the Panther offense active. (Upper left)
TEAMWORK from Donna Watkins and 'Minner' Thompson kept MH close in the area finals. (Lower left)
CONCERN CLOUDS the faces of reserves Sharon Goolsby and Monnie McGuire and Coach Brewer as the last seconds fade in the area title game. (Right)

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"I can't say we enjoyed it that much," admitted Jolie Harrison, "because Tomasue, Angela and I had to get ready for the Homecoming activities and we couldn't play in the fourth quarter. Tomasue got to leave at halftime but we had to wait and it made us nervous because we knew we would be rushed."

Madison Academy lost to the Lady Panthers anyway by a 51-39 mark.

'Minner' led the team in almost every category in 1980-81 on the way to being named the Most Valuable Member of the squad at the March 27 honors banquet at Joe Wheeler.

She led the team in field goals (149), free throws, (96), rebounds (192), field goal percentage (48%), and scoring (19.8).

Amanda Gifford led the Panthers in free throw percentage (69%).

'Minner' did a good job for us this year," said Coach Brewer at the awards banquet. "She was a good leader and someone I could count on to always do her best."

Other awards presented at the banquet included: "Best Team Spirit" — Amanda Gifford; "Most Improved" — Lisa Harris and Amy Cochran; and "Best Defensive Player" — Tomasue Weber.

THE AGONY OF DEFEAT. Donna Hester and Lisa Harris feel the loss to Hazelwood in the area finals. Both are seniors.
JUMPING FOR THE BALL, 'Minner' Thompson hopes her teammates will get it. 2A power Red Bay lost the ball but won the game.

Reaching for a Peak

Pointing toward the future.

Looking ahead toward varsity play.

Realizing that the present builds the future, members of the 1980-1981 JV squad scrapped and clawed their way to an impressive 14-5 chart.

"This year's Junior Varsity team proved to be the strongest I've had in a while," Coach David Williams said as he summed up his feelings about the team.

Several members of the team also shared the same feeling. "It was great!" "The best!" "We had it together!" "I can't wait 'till next year!" Coach Williams added, "This team had a lot of class and promise. They were very hard workers and are going to be great assets for the varsity teams in the coming years."

Along with the team honor of an impressive record, a few received individual honors for their talent and ability. Walt Davis and Roger Williams were named to this year's All County team and several were given experience on the varsity squad during the last few games of the season.

The team had a lot of impressive victories but some stood out more than others. "Every game we won was great to me," Williams stated. "I loved every win no matter if it was by 30 points or by one. I guess if I really had to choose the one that stands out most in my mind it was the game with Belgreen."

Before the Bulldogs faced the Panthers they had lost only one game. The Panthers, behind the efforts of Ken Harrison and Charlie Lauderdale (who combined for 30 points), handed the Bulldogs their second defeat 55-46 at Belgreen.

"**We eliminated Wilson** in the first round of the County Tournament, 56-43," Williams said. "It was a big win, especially since they had beaten us the week before."

The loss in the first Wilson game was one of only five. Others came at the hand of 3A powers Colbert County, Sheffield, Brooks, and Muscle Shoals.

A 61-56 defeat of 3A Deshler rounded out the year for the JV squad.

MEMBERS OF THE 1980-81 B team are (front row) Scott Holley, Kent Brown, Jeff Burgess, Walt Davis, Charlie Lauderdale. (back row) Trey Harrison, Dusty Wear, Ken Harrison, Roger Williams, Alan Greenwald, Harold Buchanan, and Doug Smith.

GOING FOR TWO against Red Bay is Charlie Lauderdale. His shot was blocked but the JV's won easily, 76-47.

Statistics

Player	FGA	FGM	PCT	FTA	FTM	PCT	RPG	PTS	PPG
Wear D.	117	52	44%	46	20	43%	3.7	124	7.8
Smith D.	17	4	24%	21	15	72%	0.6	23	1.9
Lauderdale C.	175	86	49%	116	80	69%	3.2	252	13.2
Holley S.	24	5	21%	23	16	70%	0.36	1.3	
Greenwald A.	115	59	51%	20	13	65%	5.6	131	8.7
Buchanan H.	15	6	40%	19	14	74%	1.3	26	1.6
Brown K.	72	20	28%	6	4	67%	2.6	44	2.4
Williams R.	119	71	60%	53	35	66%	8.1	177	12.6
Harrison T.	14	3	21%	13	7	54%	0.6	13	0.6
Harrison K.	188	76	40%	33	20	61%	7.5	172	9.5
Davis W.	106	46	43%	77	48	62%	2.6	140	8.2
Burgess J.	90	43	48%	81	61	75%	1.7	147	7.7

Junior Varsity Basketball Results

14 Wins 5 Losses

MH 91	Athens	60	MH 73	Brooks	61
MH 64	Clements	56	MH 65	Wilson	69
MH 66	Colbert County	76	MH 56	Wilson	43
MH 62	Phil Cambell	56	MH 46	Brooks	47
MH 82	Lexington	30	MH 76	Waterloo	57
MH 58	Rogers	31	MH 62	Central	36
MH 76	Red Bay	47	MH 55	Belgreen	46
MH 71	Wilson	62	MH 71	Rogers	51
MH 48	Sheffield	64	MH 72	Muscle Shoals	78
			MH 61	Deshler	56

"GUARD 'EM PANTHERS! Guard 'em! This was a cheer commonly yelled by fans to stir up the defense as Dusty Wear, Charlie Lauderdale, and Roger Williams put it into action.
OFFENSE IS THE name of the game as Roger Williams shoots the ball for two. MH beat Red Bay 76-47.
"IN YOUR FACE!" yelled a teammate to Roger Williams after he had been elbowed in the eye.

It Was a Game of Inches

All year long it was typical baseball — a game of inches.

At first the inches favored the opponents. A pitched ball missed the plate by inches resulting in a walk. Fielders missed ground balls by inches, throws missed their mark by inches.

During the same time Panther opponents got the breaks, were in exactly the right places, and made the putouts.

The result was a 3-10 record after the first thirteen games and a lot of frustration for coaches and players.

"**What can you say, really?** Things just didn't fall our way," said second baseman Walt Davis. "Everything we did seemed to go wrong. It was frustrating."

"We only lost one game soundly," said catcher Keith Robinson, "And that was to 4A Bradshaw and they were flat good. We had chances to win the other games — we just blew it."

Four games before the area playoffs, the trend suddenly

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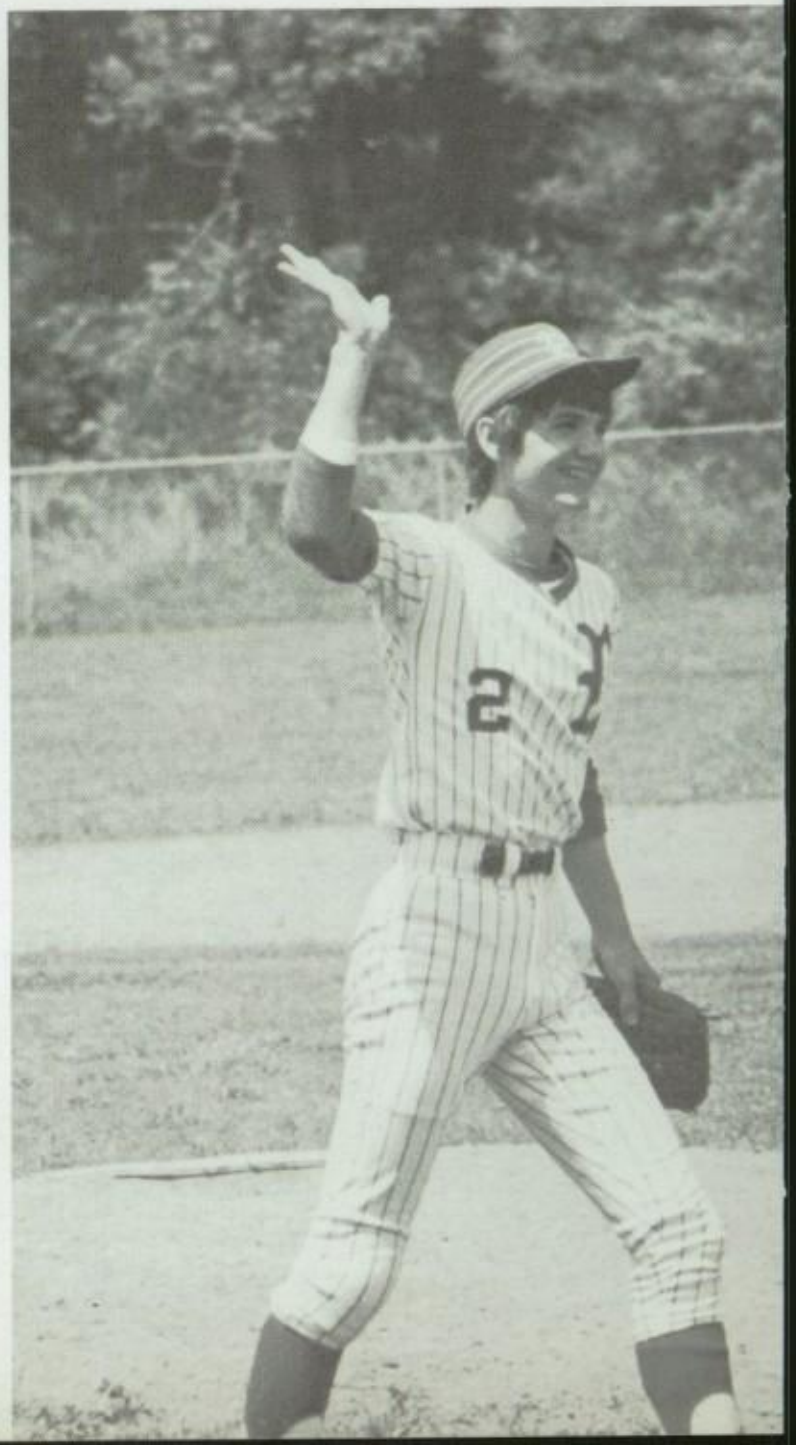
MEMBERS OF THE baseball team are (front row) Jeff Burgess, Kent Brown, Wayne Bretherick, Charlie Lauderdale. (second row) Scott Holley, Stephen Bridges, Blake Stephenson, David Garrett, Walt Davis. (third row) Steve Bates (Coach), Jeff Hester, Dusty Wear, Keith Robinson, Chris McCorkle, Miles Stutts, and Marlon Rutherford.

SELLING COOLING REFRESHMENTS for baseball fans are Key Club Sweethearts, Sondra May and Christy Winn.

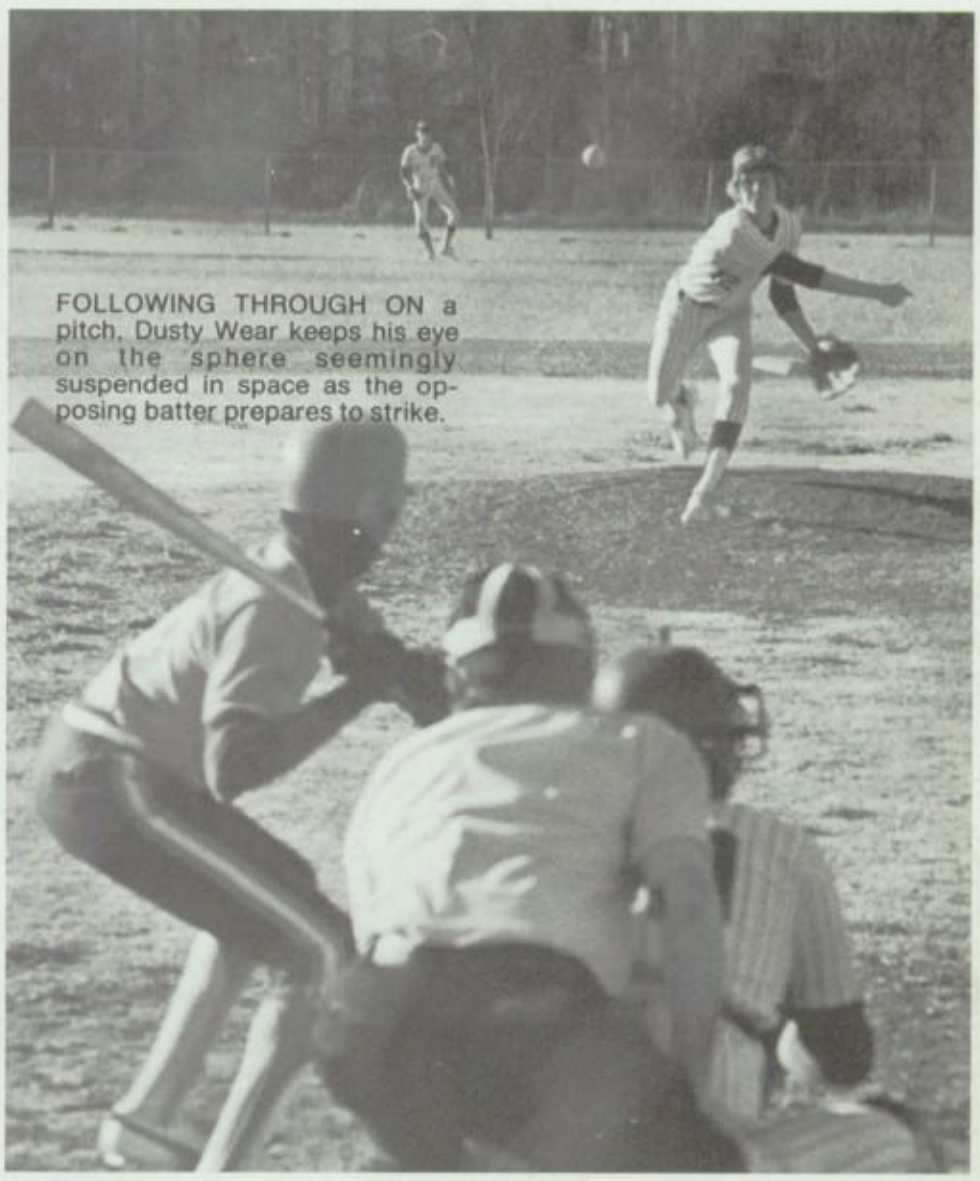
STRATEGIC PLANS WIN baseball games. Discussing these plans are team members Miles Stutts, Keith Robinson, and David Garrett.

AFTER WINNING THE area tournament, Keith Robinson congratulates the winning pitcher, Jeff Hester.



"STRIKE!" WAYNE BRETHERICK tries to connect on a fast pitch as the opposing catcher strains to stop the ball.

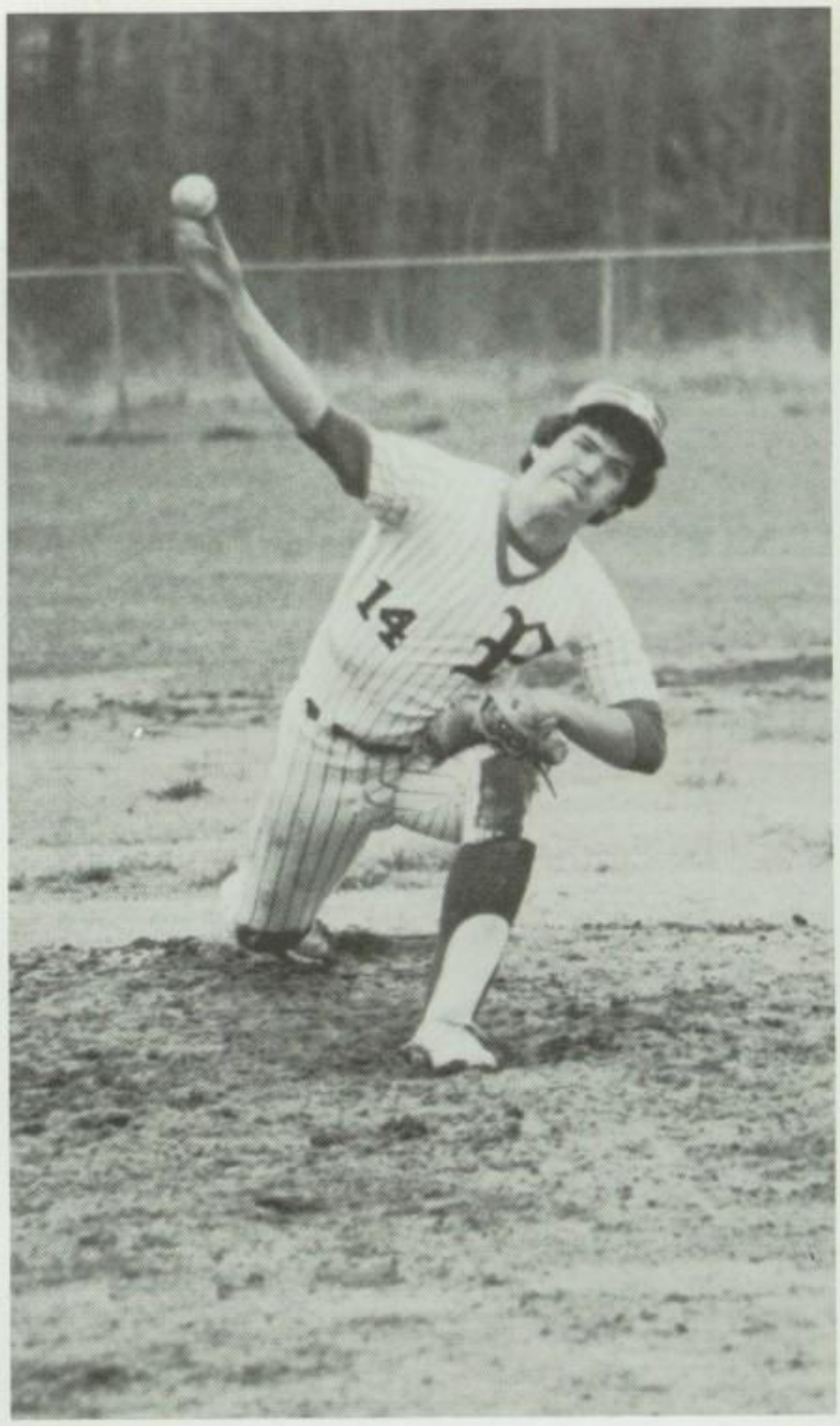
WHEN A HOME run is scored, it's time for a little tradition. Team members line up to congratulate a teammate on a completed home run.



FOLLOWING THROUGH ON a pitch, Dusty Wear keeps his eye on the sphere seemingly suspended in space as the opposing batter prepares to strike.

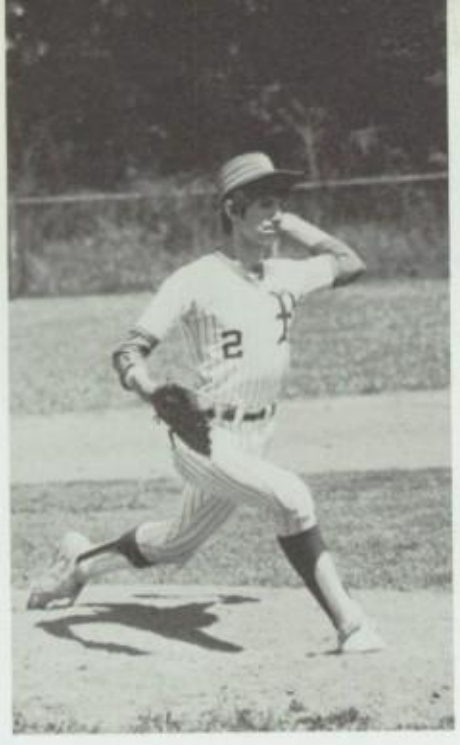
HUMMING THE NATIONAL anthem before every game was a routine practiced by the team.

SLIDING INTO SECOND base to an awaiting Walt Davis, a Waterloo player is thrown out by Keith Robinson.



GREAT PAINS OF effort are seen on the face of Miles Stutts as he pitches to a Bradshaw batter.

TAGGED OUT AT third base? Stephen Bridges applies the tag to a Bradshaw player who was ruled safe by the umpire.



LOOKING THINGS OVER, Coach Steve Bates watches the batter swing for a base hit.

SLOW BALL, KNUCKLE ball, or curve ball — which will it be? Nobody knows but Jeff Hester.

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reversed itself. Three victories in the four games pushed the record to 6-11 and gave the team momentum. The breaks started coming. A pitching staff that walked 38 batters in the first seven games were now having only one or two a game to reach base. The baseballs that had been hits by inches were now going directly at the fielders. Errors were few and far between. The frustrations were gone.

City power Coffee (4A) fell for the second time this year. Area runner-up Waterloo was beaten twice.

"**Winning those games gave us the confidence** we needed," said Coach Steve Bates. "All those earlier losses had taken it away and we were dragging."

Then came the key games in the area tournament and the Panthers were never better. Miles Stutts threw a no-hitter for six innings before losing it in the last frame. It didn't matter. The Panthers had begun their annual domination of Area 16 baseball teams. Speake had been beaten 13-2.

Junior left-handed Jeff Hester continued the domination the next day as the team blanked Mt. Hope 8-0. This time the no-hitter wasn't to be denied as Hester threw seven hitless innings against the Yellow Jackets, the squad's first such game in five years.

The crucial game came the next week in Athens against arch-rival Athens Bible, a team that ended MH area domination the year before and had beaten the Panthers earlier in the year. MH won 6-4.

"**It was our biggest win of the year,**" said Stephen Bridges. "We beat them on their field, by their rules, and with their umps."

Wayne Bretherick agreed. "They had beaten us three straight and we finally got them back in front of their home crowd." Bretherick hit a two-run home run to ice the game and Miles Stutts picked up his second area win.

MH reclaimed the area 16 crown two days later with a 5-3 win over Waterloo. Jeff Hester threw six innings in relief to gain the decision.

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DISAGREEMENT SOMETIMES ARISES because of mixed signals. Keith Robinson confers with Coach Bates to clear things up before going to bat.

CONGRATULATED BY TEAMMATES, Keith Robinson gives a smile of victory.

Statistics

PLAYER	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	AVG.
Hester	86	29	29	4	0	1	12	4	20	.337
Garrett	77	26	24	7	0	0	9	11	9	.312
Bretherick	75	28	33	8	1	2	23	11	11	.440
Robinson	54	10	16	3	0	2	13	14	3	.296
Stutts	64	10	20	3	0	2	21	1	3	.313
Davis	65	15	18	0	0	3	13	6	3	.277
Lauderdale	59	10	18	3	0	1	5	10	7	.305
Bridges	70	15	25	5	0	0	12	7	13	.357
McCorkle	30	5	4	1	0	1	2	5	1	.133
Stephenson	12	7	5	0	0	0	0	6	7	.417
Holley	26	9	10	1	0	0	0	6	4	.385
Brown	19	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	.105
Wear	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000
Rutherford	15	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	.133
Burgess	6	5	1	0	0	0	0	5	6	.167

Varsity Baseball
11 wins, 15 losses

MH	8	**Cherokee**	**10**	**MH**	**5**	Rogers	2
MH	11	**Coffee**	**12**	**MH**	**16**	Mt. Hope	5
MH	**12**	Coffee	1	**MH**	**5**	Waterloo	3
MH	4	**Bradshaw**	**8**	**MH**	**7**	Waterloo	3
MH	9	**Athens Bible**	**12**	**MH**	**13**	Speake	2
MH	6	**Cherokee**	**7**	**MH**	**11**	Mt. Hope	0
MH	2	**Colbert Heights**	**13**	**MH**	**6**	Athens Bible	2
MH	2	**Bradshaw**	**13**	**MH**	**5**	Waterloo	3
MH	6	**Athens Bible**	**9**	**MH**	**13**	Coffee	11
MH	**5**	Coffee	3	MH	5	**LCHS**	**7**
MH	7	**Coffee**	**9**	MH	4	**Warrior**	**5**
MH	7	**Colbert Heights**	**10**	MH	11	**Deshler**	**14**
MH	2	**Rogers**	**9**	MH	1	**Muscle Shoals**	**9**

HAVING TO SIT on the bench wasn't the most exciting part of the game. Scott Holley watches the field and awaits his turn to get in on the action.

HOMERUNS SCORED WERE great for receiving congratulations, especially when the RBI's won the game. Wayne Bretherick gets handshakes and pats on the back from David Garrett, Keith Robinson, and Jeff Burgess.

SLIDING TO REACH base in time, Jeff Hester gets a mouthful of dust. Hester was called safe on the play.

Baseball

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Then the game of inches reversed again. A week later the team lost to a strong Warrior team in the regional championships. The score was 4-3. Three opponents runs scored on errors and the Panthers left two runners in scoring position when the last out, a hard line drive to deep center by Kent Brown was just reached in time by the Warrior centerfielder.

"Things just didn't go our way," reflected David Garrett. "We were nervous and they should have been. But they were a good team. We came on through at the end of the season when we could have given up and worked better as a team. Overall, we had a lot of fun and really that's what it's all about."

SUNNY SKIES AND warm weather wasn't always the case during the season. Dusty Wear, Marlon Rutherford, and Blake Stephenson wear jackets to stay warm as they wait for their turn at bat.

INJURIES WERE A part of life for baseball players. Miles Stutts takes time out to have his ankle attended to by Coach Bates.

SLIGHTLY BLURRED BY the chain-link fence, Stephen Bridges follows through on a pitch.

"GIVE YOUR BODY what it's thirsty for . . ." Dusty Wear takes a refreshment break as he and Kent Brown keep their eyes on the field.

On the Move Again

Some thought the program would begin to fade.

Others said it would never be the same.

But after losing some of the state's top performers to graduation over the past two years, first-year coach Don Snodgrass molded together a respectable young team that raced to third place in the sectionals, placing ahead of arch-rival Athens Bible, and a quality showing in the state meet at Troy State University.

Individual honors came at state to Joel Kendrick (third place in the high jump), Keith Robinson (third place in the shot put), and Doug Smith (fourth place in the 2-mile, fifth place in the mile).

The team not only had to overcome youth and inexperience but the lack of adequate facilities here as well. "Better facilities and equipment would motivate more people to become involved in the program," said Mark Behel. "After all, our track is almost a health hazard. You jump pot holes instead of hurdles."

Of course, the demanding nature of track itself probably turned some away. Doug Smith, for example, ran 500 miles in 62 days during the hot summer months to get ready for the year. "I would like to be able to run eight to ten miles a day during the school year," he added.

"Some people don't get in track because they think they're not good enough," he said. "If they would try they might find they could do well."

Coach Snodgrass agreed.

"The talent is here for an excellent program but there's not much desire. Track doesn't mean that much to most people. And it really hasn't been pushed around here that much. But the interest we have looks promising. The team coming up now is going to be good."

All team members were unanimous in their praise of the new coach. "He spent a lot of time with us as individuals," said Joel Kendrick. "He knew his track," added Keith Robinson.

Because he did, the program is on the move again.

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE, Coach Don Snodgrass fielded the school's youngest track team in several years, took third in the sectionals and scored well in the state meet at Troy. Team members include (front row) Steven Behel, Jim Kelly, David Hargett, Micky McClure, Blake Stephenson, Jeff Mansell, Jeff Thompson, Eddy Jones, Chris Williams. (second row) Bubba Underwood, Carl Keenum, Steve Eaton, Johnny Grisson, Keith Robinson, Joel Kendrick, Ed May, Doug Smith, Don Snodgrass (Coach).

Track

FLYING THROUGH THE AIR and around the track, Blake Stephenson led the team in the long jump and Doug Smith was tops in the mile and 2-mile events. Both qualified for state and Doug placed in both events.

FAR LEFT: CONCENTRATING ON a good throw, Carl Keenum prepares to throw the discus.

LEFT: A STRONG PUT by senior Keith Robinson earns him a third place medal in the state meet.

BELOW: UP AND OVER! Joel Kendrick earns a place in the state finals with his jump.

LOWER RIGHT: A LOT OF EFFORT is the key to Ed May's success in distance running.

BOTTOM: NOT QUITE! Roger Holderfield fails to clear the bar in the state meet at Troy.

Sideline Pushes and Pulls

Pushing the teams on to victory and pulling for each team member as an individual was a big responsibility. Cheerleaders had to push themselves to the limit in both their practices and games, pulling for the team with all the spirit they could muster from themselves and the crowd.

Willingness to work, determination, spirit, and a ready smile — that's what it took to be a Panther cheerleader. Being a cheerleader was a big responsibility.

According to Rosemary Black, cheerleader sponsor, cheerleaders are very unique people. "These girls are really special," she commented. "They put in long hours and all are devoted to cheering and to the teams."

Selected by popular vote after trying out before the student body, the cheerleading squad began practicing as cheerleaders in May. An entire summer of planning and hard work went into the making of outfits, the creation and planning of skits, and the learning of new cheers and pyramids.

Instead of going to cheerleader camp during the summer, the cheerleaders tried something new and different. Donna Clanton, a former high school cheerleader, and currently a cheerleader at David Lipscomb College, taught the girls many of their new cheers and pyramids.

The group practiced at the lakehouse belonging to Cyndy Longshore's family.

"**Donna helped us more** than the instructors at a large camp would have been able to. We were able to go off by ourselves and it really brought us closer together," said Nina Hargett, head. "We learned new cheers, and how to get along with each other. It was a good experience for us!"

Cyndy Longshore, co-head, added, "We all got along great! I loved this year and all the work was really worthwhile."

Being a cheerleader is not inexpensive. Each girl had to buy her own outfits, and they also bought favors for the

THEIR FACES FILLED with apprehension, Sydna Patterson and Nina Hargett watch the final seconds of a close game.

"GET FIRED UP!" During the entire season, cheerleaders worked to fire up the crowd. Becky Walker and Molly Gooch cheer the Panthers on to victory.

team.

To raise money to defray the expenses, the cheerleaders held a clinic for the elementary girls involved in the Junior Pro cheering program. They also sold ribbons and buttons. Several teachers helped out by agreeing to take the chance of having a pie thrown in their faces. Surprisingly, chance was against the teachers as several got a face full of pie.

The cheerleaders fired up the crowd in many ways. But the students also had a lot to do with it. "Our fans are great," commented L'Nita Jamison. "They really got behind the crowd and got them going."

The continuing tradition of throwing miniature basketballs into the crowd during halftime was one of the most effective ways to fire up the fans.

"They all 'holler', "Throw it to me," but we never know where we will throw the balls," Sydna Patterson said. "It's great," added Jeannie Coats. "The fans yell and scream, and then after the balls are thrown, there's a mad scramble for them."

Pep rallies and skits also helped to fire up the fans and team. The cheerleaders planned several skits involving the ballplayers and fans. They also prepared a skit to announce the Homecoming Queen and her court. The teachers got in on the act during the girls' area tournament.

"Doing the skits was fun, even though it was hard work," stated Mona Gooch. "The fans and team members were really good about participating."

"Making the students active and a part of the action is important," added Miss Black. "It's a sure-fire method of firing them up for the games."

Special days were set up to raise spirit. There was "Hunt 'Em Down Day," when the students wore hunting clothes; "Pride Day" when students wore their best clothes; "Wild West Day," when students came dressed as cowboys; and "Color Us Number One Day," when the students wore old shirts and wrote on each other. On "Whisper Day," everyone had to whisper until the pep rally when they could "shout it out."

Cheering has its rough moments, however. Losing to big rivals can be heartbreaking. Injuries during the season also proved to be upsetting, as Nina Hargett and Molly Gooch learned.

Nina suffered a broken hand about two weeks before Homecoming, and later Molly pulled a hamstring muscle while performing a high herki.

Nina commented, "We have become real daredevils in the past two years. Pyramids, double-stunts, you name it, we have tried just about all of them."

Sacrifice is another big part of cheering. Forgetting about sickness and pulled muscles were all familiar feelings for each of the girls.

"Being a cheerleader is really special," commented Molly Gooch. "It's the best thing I've ever been involved in. I love cheering and doing special things for the team."

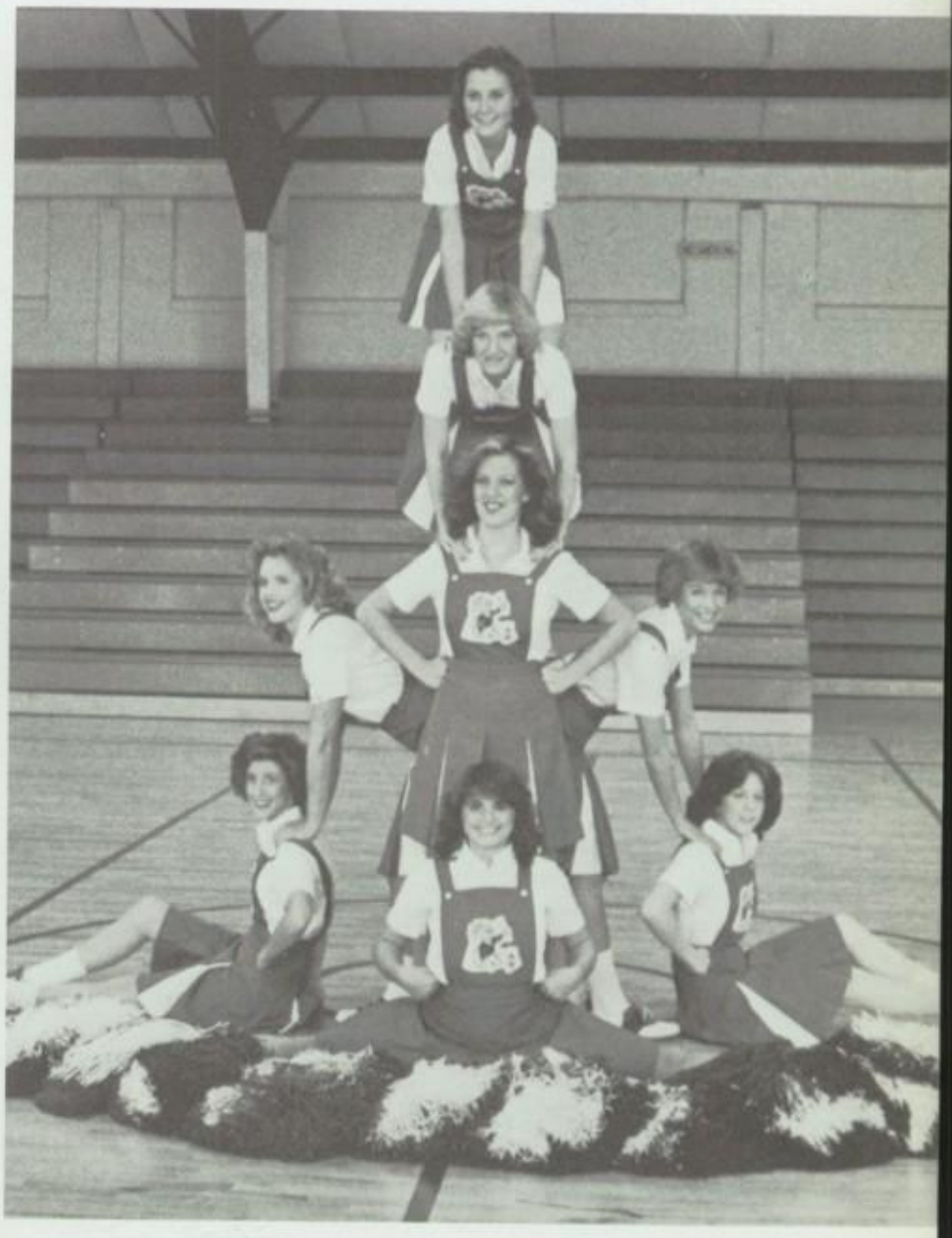
Cheerleaders were also very important to the ballplayers' morale. "It really makes us feel good to find our lockers decorated and the surprises inside," said Miles Stutts. "We feel like everyone is really pulling for us, so we put forth more effort."

The cheerleaders went through all the ups and downs of cheering together and still came out smiling. Becky Walker summed up the feeling by explaining, "I get fired up and then when the game is over, it's really a satisfying feeling because I know I've been a part of it all."

"EVERYONE GETS INVOLVED." No matter what the size, everyone has that Panther spirit. Shayla Lansdell, cheerleaders mascot, helps get the team going.

"THE AGONY OF DEFEAT" ... Nina Hargett and Cyndy Longshore show that basketball has its defeats as well as its victories.

LEADING CHEERS were Nina Hargett, head; L'Nita Jamison, Jeannie Coats, Molly Gooch, Sydna Patterson, Becky Walker, Cyndy Longshore, and Mona Gooch.



Things you always wanted to know about the junior high

*The oldest person in Jr. High is Vicki Hill. She was born Dec. 20, 1964.
*Kevin Greene is the youngest person in Jr. High. He was born March 7, 1969.
*David Woods is the tallest person at 6'4".
*The shortest person is Rodney Jones at 4'6".
*The most common first names for a boy are Mike, Chris, and David. Four boys have each name.
*The most common first name for a girl is Kim. There are five girls with this name.
*The most common last name is Behel. There are four people with that name.
*Living closest to the school is Michael Rickard. He lives a distance of 6 yards and 1 foot from the school.
*Kim Hale is the person living farthest away from campus. A distance of approximately 35 miles.
*David Smelser is the boy born farthest from campus. He was born in Seoul, Korea.
*Christina Whitlock was born in Ankara, Turkey making her the girl born farthest from school.
*93 students were born in Florence making it the town where most of them were born.

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INVOLVED IN DEEP THOUGHT Chris Miles plans his next move.

TAKING TIME TO HELP outside of class Coach Steve Bates works with David Phares to help him catch up on his school work.

Jimmy Gann, Mary Kay Bulman, editors

A Year of Changes

Seventh grade.

The first year of high school.

Being a seventh grader brought a multitude of fast changes. Going from an elementary school where everything was closely supervised, to a high school where freedom is an everyday part of life can often be a traumatic experience for 13 year olds.

"It was really a big change for me, coming up here with all the older kids," Cindy Mitchell commented. "It took a while to get used to."

Seventh grade provided big changes in many areas. For instance, there was changing classes, coping with a variety of teachers, and learning to get along with kids from other classes.

"Changing classes was really different and slightly scary," Lisa Broadfoot commented. "I was always scared of walking in the wrong class and getting laughed out of the room."

Amy Hunnicutt continued, "When I first came up here, I was really scared because I thought I'd get lost, it was so big."

Moving up from elementary to high school also provided a taste of a newfound freedom for the class of '86.

Carrie Peck explained "In high school everything's so much freer. You're a lot more independent, and you don't have a teacher hanging over you all the time, telling you what to do and what not to do."

Semester exams proved to be a frightening experience for several seventh graders.

"I was really terrified when I first heard about them," Candy Wright said. "They sounded so hard because they were so long. But once I made it through one or two, they weren't so bad anymore."

Fear of being tardy was probably the most disturbing emotion experienced by the seventh graders.

"There's always a mad rush to get to class, and it makes getting to the lockers a real problem," Cindy Mitchell commented.

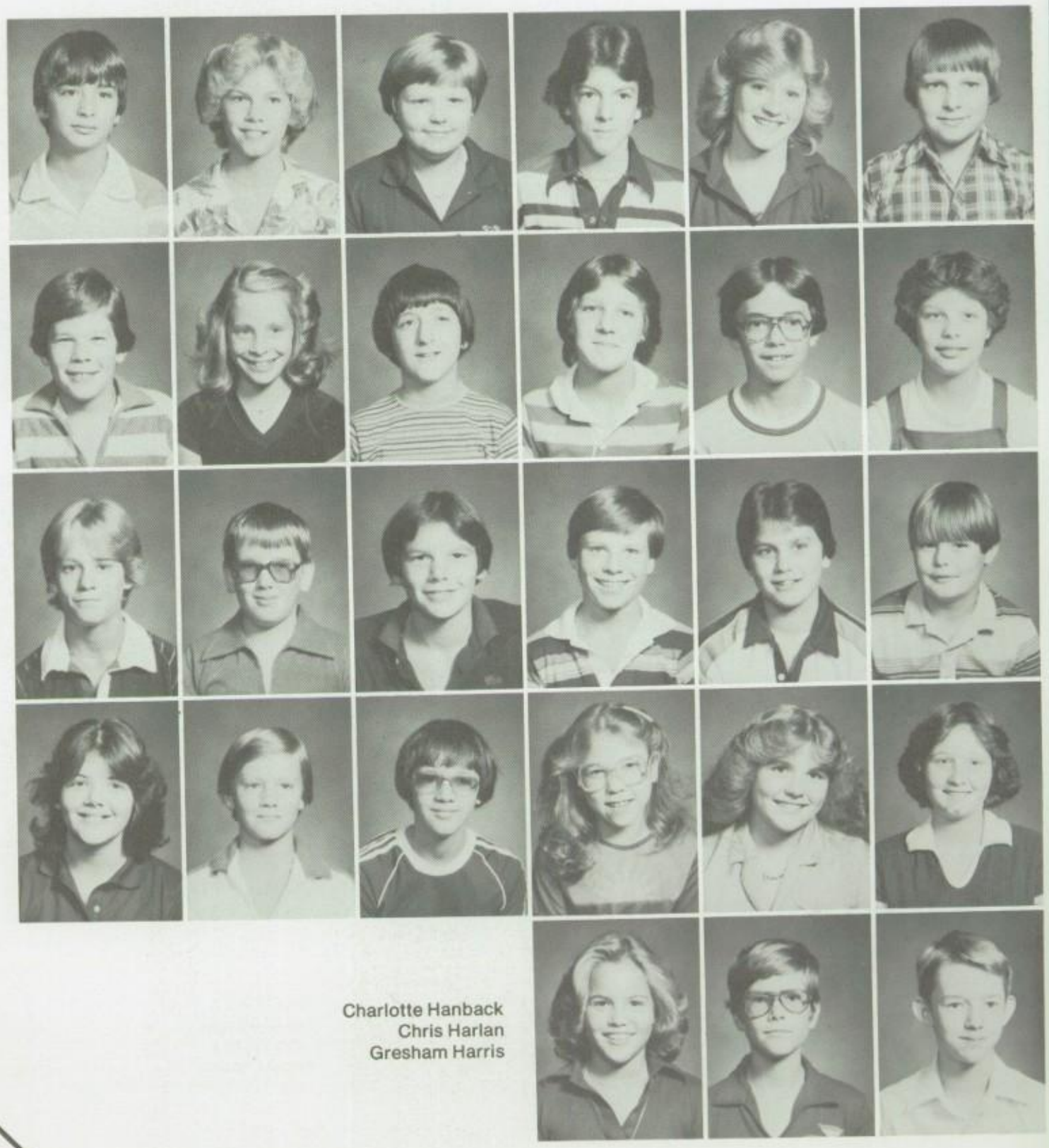
Seventh graders had a peculiar fear of the senior class.

"They're so big!" Tina Strickland exclaimed. "They treat us like little kids. They're always getting into our lockers and stuff."

At the same time, however, the seventh graders seemed to have a deep admiration and envy of the seniors.

"I can't wait to be a senior!" Amy Uhlman said. "Everything is happening for them. They're all grown up and we've got all these years to go!"

Starting out on the long road to the magic of senior year wasn't always easy, but according to the vast majority, it was a lot of fun. Carrie Peck summed up the feeling when she said, "This year was the 'funnest' ever and I'm looking forward to their getting funner and funner!"



Haskel Agee
DeEdra Alexander
Kathy Allen
Jody Anderson
Laura Baker
Kraig Behel

Brian Birdwell
Lisa Broadfoot
Michael Brock
Sonya Caudle
Mark Chastain
Beth Clemmons

Paul Corfman
John Cotham
Dale Davis
Kevin Dickens
Blair Faulkner
Kenny Franks

Selina Godsey
Kevin Greene
Sonny Hall
Vanessa Hall
Lisa Hamm
Carol Hanback

Charlotte Hanback
Chris Harlan
Gresham Harris

THE SEVENTH GRADE class favorites this year were Charlotte Hanback and Mark Chastain.
CLASS OFFICERS FOR the seventh grade are Eddie Jones — president, Cindy Mitchell — vice-president, Carrie Peck — secretary, and Brian Holt — treasurer.

Brian Holt
Lee Huggins
Amy Hunnicutt
Hope Ivey
Angela Jenkins
Eddie Jones

Rodney Jones
Tim Kent
Kim Kirchner
Ryan McKinney
Kim McWilliams
Cindy Mitchell

Rob Mitchell
Carrie Peck
Lisa Pennington
Michael Rickard
Trey Sherrod
Jay Smith

Scotty Sparks
Tina Strickland
Laura Tays
John Thomason
Amy Uhlman
Stephanie Walker

Alan West
Candy Wright
Mike Wynne
Angela Young

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Moving Up the Ladder

"Never a dull moment!"

That's how Carl Seigenthaler, Jr. described the Class of '85.

"We really had a wild year," Jeff Mansel commented. "We'll do anything to get out of class!" Angela Winn added.

"Wild" seemed to truly be the perfect adjective to describe the eighth grade class. One of their highly treasured memories was of throwing shoes out Seigenthaler Jr.'s windows.

"Seigenthaler's class was the absolute best," Roger Garrett explained. "We were always trying to climb out the windows during class."

Another well-remembered incident was the time when several eighth grade girls hid from science teacher Don Snodgrass in a closet.

On a more serious note, the eighth graders apparently felt much more confident and assured when they reached their second year in high school.

"Being in eighth grade was a whole lot better because we got to be included in the voting and stuff," Diane Easley said.

As eighth graders, the Class of '85 was indeed able to achieve some status in the classes' hierarchy. They were included in the voting of student council, a privilege denied to seventh graders, and they were no longer considered "low men on the totem pole."

Basically the eighth grade had an uneventful year as far as extracurricular activities.

"We really didn't do a lot of extra stuff like parties and things," Glen Johnson stated. "So we just had fun cutting up in class."

THE EIGHTH GRADE class favorites this year wer Trisha Holley and Cris Williams.

CLASS OFFICERS FOR the eighth grade were Cr Williams, president; Roger Garrett, vice-presider Angela Winn, secretary; and Ricky Howard, treasurer.

Vickie Austin
Penny Baggett
Lorie Behel
Jeff Blackwell
Jay Bogus
Andrea Boren

Bert Bretherick
Georgia Carson
Beth Clemmons
Diane Easley
Steven Eaton
Eddy Epperson

Julianne Forsythe
Roger Garrett
Bud Gifford
Leanne Gist

Kevin Givens
Wade Gooch
Johnny Grissom
Kim Hale
Allen Hall

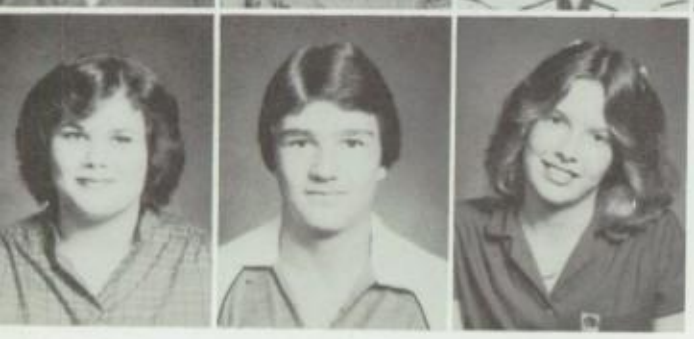
David Hargett
Tim Hester
Trisha Holley
Ricky Howard
LaDonna Jaynes
Glenn Johnson

Alan Jordan
Carl Keenum
Keith Lewis
Jeff Mansel
Mickey McClure
Michelle McGee

Deborah McWilliams
Chris Miles
Jennifer Miller
Donna Parrish
Jonas Quillen
Vanessa Reatherford

Molly Rutland
Kelly Smith
Alicia Strange
Rodney Stutts
Jeff Thompson
Kim Tompkins

Bubba Underwood
Cindy Underwood
Lee Walker
Barry West
Karen White



Lisa Wilder
Cris Williams
Angela Winn

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A Fresh Start

"I want to be more a part of the school!" was a thought that often flashed through the minds of seventh and eighth graders.

"Being a freshman is a whole lot better," Claudia Wear commented. "There's a whole lot more stuff to do, and you feel like more a part of the school.

"It's really neat to have a name," Claudia continued. "Last year we were just 'eighth graders' but now we really have a name and that means a whole lot more status for us."

The freshman class was also a class of winners. They beat the seniors in a paper drive run-off and as their reward they got to spend lunch plus a whole extra class period at the mall.

Homecoming was also a big event for the freshman class as they won the project contest. For this achievement they won another trip to Regency Square to eat lunch.

"It was great to win the Homecoming contest," Joe Walker said. "We just had a winning class all year long."

Apparently, the freshmen truly had an exciting year. "Everyday was exciting for us. We loved the whole thing!" Claudia Wear concluded.

THE NINTH GRADE class favorites this year were Jamie Wright and Jo
Baggett.

Joan Agee
Joel Baggett

Eric Behel
Stephen Behel
Susan Bergman
Christie Bevis
Kevin Broadfoot
Terry Brown

Shannon Carlton
Michele Clardy
Rhonda Cotham
Lana Darby
Cayron Davenport
Paige Faulkner

Patrice Files
Diann Foster
Sharon Goolsby
Patty Grimes
Robert Hanback
Robert Hargett

Emily Harlan
Vicki Hill
Martha Hinton
Sissy Holt
Suzette Huffaker
Jim Kelley

Ronya Kendrick
Angela Letson
Angela Longshore
Telowa Lowery
David May
Missy McClure

Gina McFall
Ronald McGee
Ginger McGuire
Jennifer Miles
Andy Mitchell
David Phares

Brian Price
Cara Quillen
Amanda Reatherford
Mitzi Reeves
Stan Sherrod
David Smelser

Emily South
Sheri Stott
Penny Stutts
Karla Thorne
Joe Walker
Jay Watkins

Mike Watson
Claudia Wear
Chris Whitlock
Kim Whitten
David Woods
Jamie Wright

CLASS OFFICERS FOR the ninth grade are; Angela Longshore — president; Jennifer Miles — vice-president, Kim Whitten — secretary, and Cara Quillen — treasurer.

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Getting Back to the Musical Basics

LEADING THE MH CHORUSES in song was first-year director Al Jackson. "I enjoyed working with these groups," he said. "They have a lot of talent and ability and I think the future looks very promising for MH choruses."

Getting back to the basics was the goal for the junior choruses this year. It was a learning period for the two groups. Al Jackson commented, "The Junior High choruses exceded all expectations. There is a lot of room for improvement and we will see this in the future as the kids grow and mature."

The two groups together put on about ten programs. In between programs the choruses worked hard on learning the basics of choral music and the ability to use the talent that had been given to them to sing.

Of all the performances the most rewarding, according to Chris Miles, was the program presented to the elderly at Mitchell Hillingsworth, a local nursing home. "It was really a great feeling to know that we may have cheered up an elderly person's life that day," he said.

Some of the goals set by Al Jackson for the choruses were to increase their ability in the basics of singing and to teach the kids to have a greater appreciation for choral music.

Most chorus members also look forward to the day when they can go on the traditional senior high chorus trip. "As long as I have been in the Junior High Chorus we have never been able to go on a trip," Diann Foster explained.

"These groups have the ability and potential to be some of the best groups MH has ever had."

— Al Jackson, director

Making Music Together

Junior chorus members raise their voices in song.

KEEPING THE EYES on the director was an important rule of being a good chorus member. Sonya Caudle follows Al Jackson's movements in order to get her part right.

MEMBERS OF THE eighth and ninth grade chorus are (front row) Bud Gifford, Chris Miles, Cindy Underwood, Debra McWilliams, Molly Rutland, Jennifer Miller, Donna Parrish, Vanessa Reatherford, Jonas Quillen, Patti Grimes, Kim Whitten, Ginger McGuire, Emily South. (second row) Kim Hale, Kelly Smith, Michelle McGee, Vicky Austin, LeighAnn Gist, Angela Winn, Tricia Holley, LaDonna Jaynes, Penny Baggett, Kim Tompkins, Patrice Files, Cissy Holt. (third row) David May, Alan Hall, Tim Hester, Andrea Boren, Juliann Forsythe, Alicia Strange, Joan Agee, Amanda Reatherford, Martha Hinton, Keith Lewis, Rodney Stutts. (fourth row) Jim Kelly, Eric Behel, Lorie Behel, Jay Bogus, Georgia Carson, Ronya Kendrick, Suzette Huffaker, Angela Letson, Carl Keenum, Bubba Underwood, Telowa Lowery, Wade Gooch.

MEMBERS OF THE seventh grade chorus are (front row) Lisa Hamm, Kim McWilliams, Lisa Broadfoot, Kim Kirchner, Carrie Peck, Cindy Mitchell. (second row) Cathy Allen, Hope Ivey, Sonya Caudle, Angela Young, Beth Clemmons, Angela Jenkins, Amy Hunnicutt. (third row) Lisa Pennington, Rob Mitchell, Paul Corfman, Mike Brock, Craig Behel. (fourth row) Rodney Jones, Alan West, Haskell Agee, Gresham Harris, Mark Chastain, Jody Anderson, Dale Davis, Johnny Cotham.

"MAKE A JOYFUL noise unto the Lord." Carrie Peck, Amy Hunnicutt, and Lisa Broadfoot smile as they concentrate on Al Jackson's directions.

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Organized for Honors and Serving Others

"Congratulations! You have been accepted into the Jr. High Beta Club because of your exceptional grades."

Jr. High Beta Club is a nationwide honor society which was established to encourage leadership, service, good citizenship, and studiousness. One becomes eligible for membership on the basis of character and a grade point average of 3.25 in junior high course work.

The 39 members of the 1981 group were concerned with more than academics, however, and spent part of their year in service projects.

Approximately 55 Mars Hill students participated in raising money for the annual March-of-Dimes walk-a-thon. $685 was raised for this charity. Leah Osborn, the top money raiser, contributed $163. Leah placed third in the county, and received a three month pass to Skate Center U.S.A., five albums, and a trophy. Along with the walk-a-thon some of the members competed in the Read-a-thon sponsored by the Beta Club for the Leukemia Society. In summing up Beta Club's activities, Jay Watkins commented, "The Beta Club has given me a real sense of responsibility and has encouraged me to improve myself to the best of my ability."

The Jr. High Beta Club, 1981, completed the year with a final banquet held at Quincy's.

MEETING TO DISCUSS the needs of the Junior Beta Club president, Mitzi Reeves, vice-president, David Hargett, Secretary, Michelle Clardy, and treasurer Diann Foster talk things over.

LAUGHING AND TALKING can also be done while walking in the walk-a-thon, as Angela Young and Stephanie Walker can tell you.

JUNIOR HIGH BETA CLUB members are — Karen White, Carrie Peck, Tina Stricklin, Charlotte Hanback, Cindy Mitchell, Lisa Broadfoot, Laura Tays, Sonya Caudle, Amy Hunnicutt, Julianne Forsythe, Leanne Gist, Jennifer Miles, Angela Longshore, Chris Whitlock, Rodney Jones, Kraig Behel, Kevin Greene, Sponsor — Mrs. Laverne Davis, Patty Grimes, Kim Hale, Ginger McGuire, Michele Clardy, Diann Foster, Gina McFall, Ronya Kendrick, Johnny Grissom, David Hargett, Eddie Jones, Kim Whitten, Joan Agee, Telowa Lowery, Amanda Reatherford, Suzette Huffaker, Wade Gooch, Georgia Carson, and Mark Chastain.

"IS THAT A bug I see?" Guy Boozer, Amy Hunnicutt, and Lisa Broadfoot observe a pest on the club's "favorite tree."

SCIENCE CLUB MEMBERS are: Eddy Epperson, John Cotham, Lisa Broadfoot, Cindy Mitchell, Kevin Dickens, Chris Harlan, Kenny Franks, Rodney Stutts, Tim Hester, Keith Lewis, John Thomason, Kim Hale. (2nd row) Bobby Grigsby, David Covington, Trey Harrison, Jay Forsythe, Guy Boozer, Sponsor — Mrs. Reba Hammond. (not pictured) Amy Hunnicutt.

OFFICERS OF THE Science Club are; President — Guy Boozer, Vice-President — Keith Lewis, and Secretary-Treasurer — Kim Hale.

Mixing Science, Fun Is Objective of Young Scientists, Mrs. Hammond

"I try to show students that science can be a lot of fun. That's the whole purpose of the club."

Science Club sponsor Mrs. Reba Hammond's major goal proved to be one of trying to get and keep students interest in the sciences. "There are many students who think science is a boring subject and they're very disinterested," she stated. "The Science Club proves to them that it's a fun subject, but it teaches them a whole lot in the process."

Becoming more active than in years past, the club completed many projects. They planned science programs where different speakers came and spoke on subjects relating to science. One of the most interesting speakers, according to Mrs. Hammond was Michael Osborne, a student from Bradshaw High School. Michael successfully trisected an angle after a junior high math teacher told him it couldn't be done.

Another project the club participated in was a "Name the Skeleton" contest. Students were challenged to come up with a name for the skeleton used in biology classes. Lisa Broadfoot won the contest by creating the name "Stix." "Stix" was a homonym for "Styx," which means "River of Death" in ancient mythology.

The nature trail has been a continuing project for the Science Club for several years. "This group has worked very hard to keep the trail clear from brush and have taken on a sense of pride in the keeping of the trail," Mrs. Hammond said.

Members of the Science Club seemed to truly enjoy their year. "This year has been better than some in the past and it has really helped me to appreciate and understand all the things that relate to science," David Phares commented.

All in all, Mrs. Hammond and her club members felt the year's goal was achieved. The learning of scientific facts had been fun. Student appreciation of the sciences increased. It was worthwhile.

Learning and Rebuilding

Great expectations.

That's what Coach Steve Bates had for the freshman team.

Unfortunately expectations don't always add up to results.

"We had a really hard year because we didn't win as many as we were expected to," Coach Bates exclaimed.

According to Bates, one of the ninth grade team's biggest problems was that they faced a super-tough schedule.

"Our schedule was really a tough one," Bates commented. "It seemed like every game was harder and longer than the one before."

"We really 'bit off more than we could chew' this season."

Bates also commented on the willingness of the freshman team to keep working no matter how badly they were being beaten.

"This team was a real group of fighters," he explained. "The other teams' coaches

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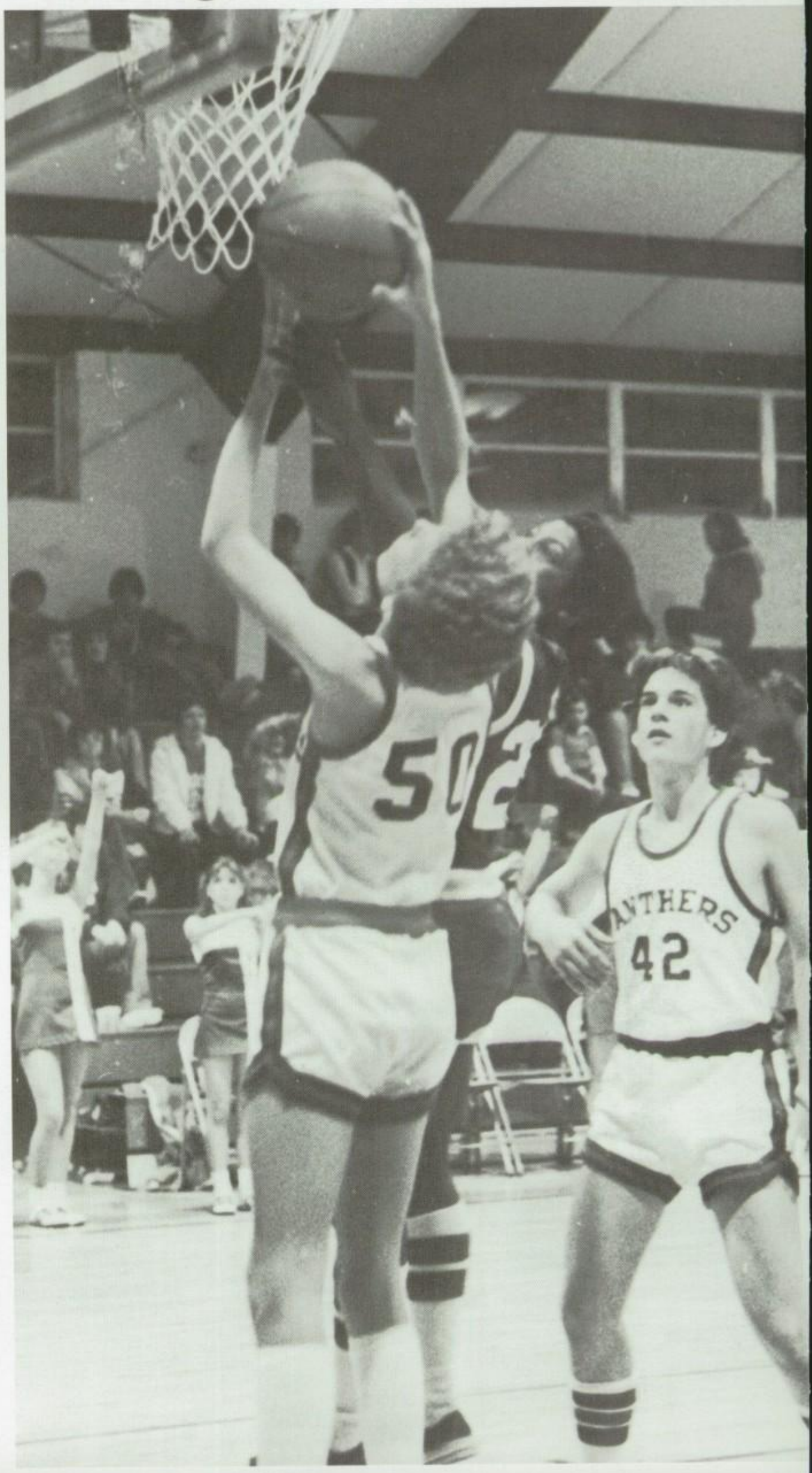
IT'S ALL THE way for two when Jay Watkins scores against the Wilson Warriors as Joel Baggett moves in to assist.

POINTING OUT THE PROBLEM, Coach Bates tells a player how to correct the defense.



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TRAVELING DOWN THE court, Robert Hargett drives toward the Panthers goal.

RISING ABOVE HIS opponent, Joe Walker struggles to make two points.

AN EXPRESSION OF total concentration shows on Kevin Broadfoot's face as he is determined to steal the ball from a Wilson Warrior.

TEAM EFFORT IS shown by Robert Hargett and Kevin Broadfoot as they run to the goal.

A STRONG PANTHER defense surrounds a Wilson Warrior.

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were amazed at the way they kept on fighting and never gave up."

Starting with a tough schedule proved to be a challenge for the ninth grade team.

"We knew we were facing a tough schedule," Jay Watkins stated. "So we tried to work extra hard together.

"At the first of the year we were really bad, but we improved over the year and at the end of the season we were really working well together," Jay concluded.

According to David Smelser the best part of basketball is learning.

"Basketball is fun because you learn so much," he commented. "That's the main reason I play."

"Basketball is fun and it's a challenge," Jay Watkins added.

Coach Bates seemed to have good hopes for the freshmen as they moved to the varsity team.

"I think all these boys have a lot of potential for the varsity team," he concluded.

GET THAT BALL! Robert Hargett (left) passes to a teammate while Bubba Underwood dives for the ball.

Freshman Scoreboard
4 wins, 14 losses

MH	46	Weeden	67
MH	43	Muscle Shoals	64
MH	36	LCHS	56
MH	37	Sheffield	65
MH	51	Anderson	52
MH	44	Wilson	30
MH	40	Central	48
MH	30	Coffee	74
MH	40	Sheffield	60
MH	73	Waterloo	43
MH	43	Rogers	52
MH	51	CCHS	55
MH	37	Central	29
MH	40	Anderson	63
MH	40	Mt. Hope	49
MH	42	Brooks	86
MH	74	Wilson	49
MH	36	LCHS	57

Statistics

R. Hargett	204 pts.
K. Broadfoot	127 pts.
J. Walker	122 pts.
M. Sherrod	111 pts.
T. Brown	97 pts.
J. Baggett	88 pts.
B. Underwood	30 pts.
E. Behel	26 pts.
R. Hanback	14 pts.
M. Watson	8 pts.
D. Smelser	4 pts.

MOVING TO DEFENSE a Wilson Warrior, Joe Walker hopes for a steal. The Panthers beat Wilson 74-49.

SIGHTS ARE SET high as Eric Behel prepares to shoot a free throw.

MEMBERS OF THE Junior High A team are: Eddy Epperson, Manager, Robert Hanback, David Smelser, Eric Behel, Robert Hargett, Joe Walker, Ryan McKinney, Manager, Jay Watkins, Terry Brown, Mike Watson, Kevin Broadfoot, Stan Sherrod, Joel Baggett, and Coach Steve Bates.

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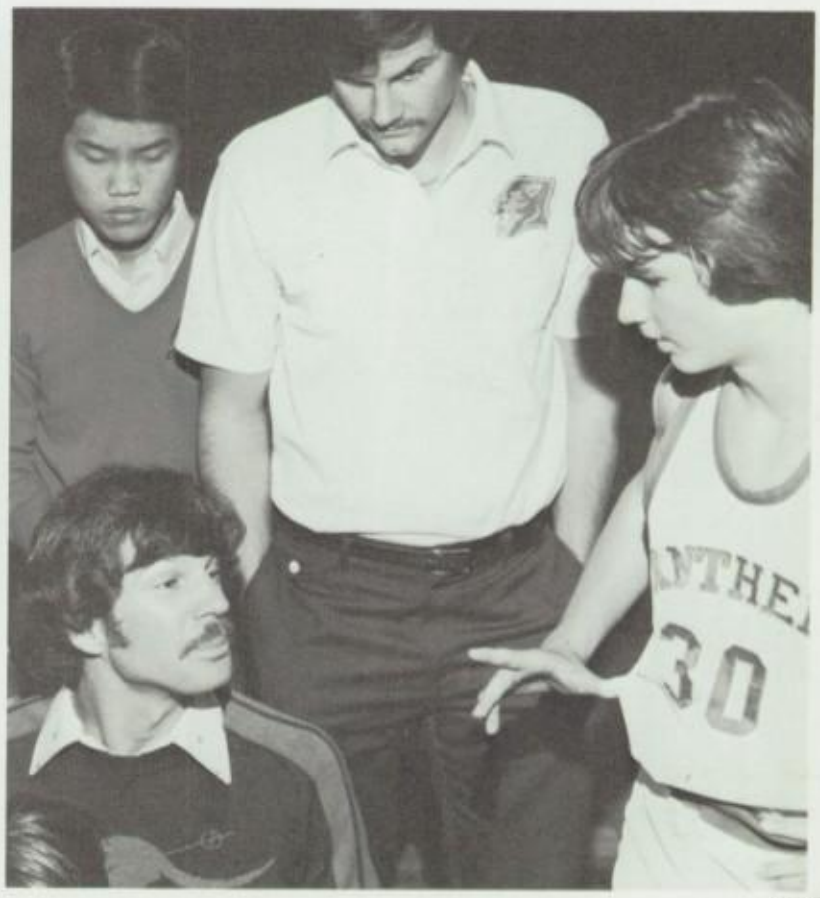
SURROUNDED BY HIS opponents, Joel Baggett puts it through for two.

CONCENTRATION COUNTS A lot in the game as Kevin Broadfoot heads up the court.

TEAM MEMBERS LISTEN on as Coach Bates and Coach Snodgrass plan the next move.



Slowly Developing the Talent

"Ya'll get yourselves organized!"

Organization was the biggest problem for the seventh and eighth grade basketball team.

"We really had a huge problem with organization," Coach Steve Bates explained. "The problem was all of our guards left and we only had one left to play on the team."

As it was the seventh graders' first year of school basketball, they had some problems with adjustment also.

"We had to work on getting ourselves adjusted to playing in competition," Coach Bates commented. "We practiced really hard because the first yaar is virtually 'starting from scratch' with the seventh graders."

As the year progressed and the team came together more, their playing continued to improve.

"We really worked very well as the season progressed," stated Coach Bates. "I could put in five substitutes and they would still keep playing well at the close of the game."

Big wins and losses are the highlights of any season. The seventh and eighth grade team had its share of the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat.

"**Our biggest win was when we beat Sheffield** because they had a really super team. The boys were really proud of themselves and I was proud of them too," Bates said.

"This team turned out to be pretty good at the end of the year. They really enjoyed the games and they also enjoyed playing them right," he added.

Coach Bates seemed to expect many good things from the seventh and eighth grade team in the future.

"I'm looking forward to a really good team from these kids next year and in the years to follow," he said. "They have a lot of potential and a real desire to win. They are a bunch of real hard workers."

A STRONG PANTHER defense is shown by Bert Bretherick as he guards a Wilson Warrior.

7th Basketball 5 wins 11 losses

MH	24	Colbert County	34	MH	60	New Bethel	31
MH	28	Colbert County	45	MH	36	New Bethel	41
MH	52	Colbert County	33	MH	43	Wilson	52
MH	27	Muscle Shoals	62	MH	29	Hibbett	44
MH	26	Weeden	62	MH	41	Sheffield	31
MH	44	Sheffield	49	MH	67	Waterloo	13
MH	34	Colbert County	37	MH	37	Brooks	42
MH	38	Colbert County	54	MH	47	Wilson	42

TEAM MEMBERS FOR the Junior High B team included: Lee Walker, Barry West, Chris Williams, Jeff Mansel, David Hargett, Eddy Epperson, Manager, Eddie Jones, Brian Holt, Dale Davis, Wade Gooch, Ryan McKinney, Manager, Ricky Howard, Steve Eaton, Johnny Grissom, Bert Bretherick, Bubba Underwood, and Coach Steve Bates.

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"FIGHT FOR IT!" Johnny Grissom looks as if he's about to "bite the wood" as he struggles to tear the ball from the hands of an opponent.

EXCITED TEAM MEMBERS look for the Panthers to score a victory.

TOTAL CONCENTRATION SHOWS on Carl Keenum's face as the ball moves toward the basket.

Miles to Go Before They Sleep

It's not a glamorous sport.

There are seldom crowds of spectators to cheer on the participants. Publicity is sparse — both at school and in the local papers.

On the other hand the work is strenuous. Team members run five to ten miles a day in the sweltering summer sun to be in shape.

"Cross-country is a demanding sport. The boys really have to want to be on the team because they have to run in some pretty hot weather . . . We've got some real talent among our distance runners." *— Don Snodgrass*

"Cross-country is a demanding sport," said Coach Don Snodgrass. "The boys really have to want to be on the team because they have to run, run, run in some pretty hot weather. And there's not much of a reward either." At the same time, Snodgrass was very pleased with his young team.

"We've got some real talent among our distance runners," he said. "And, they're all very young. They were competing with juniors and seniors and still finished well. They just need to work hard and keep in shape."

The team ran in the Bradshaw Invitational at Joe Wheeler State Park and met Coffee in a dual meet at Mars Hill.

Doug Smith turned in the best time of the year for Panther runners (19:00 for three miles), and finished second in the dual meet and in the top 15% at Joe Wheeler. Ed May's 20:30 time was the squad's second best time.

In addition to Doug and Ed, Eddy Jones also placed in the top ten in the meet with 4A Coffee, finishing ninth.

FINISHING AMONG THE LEADERS in the Bradshaw Invitational, Doug Smith streaks for the finish line.

THROUGH THE WOODS goes Joe Walker as he learns why the sport is called cross-country.

HEADING HOME is Eddy Jones as he finishes three miles.

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RACING TO THE finish, Ed May runs ahead of his opponent.

1980-81'S TRACK TEAM members include: Lee Walker, Robert Hanback, Robert Hargett, Chris Williams, David Hargett, Jeff Mansel, Dale Davis, Eddie Jones, Joe Walker, Stan Sherrod, Jeff Blackwell, Kevin Broadfoot, Ed May, Wade Gooch, Ricky Howard, Doug Smith, David Smelser, Brian Holt, Eric Behel, David May, Terry Brown, Carl Keenum, Bubba Underwood, Mike Watson, Johnny Grissom, Steve Eaton, Bert Bretherick, Brian Underwood, Jay Watkins, Coach Don Snodgrass.

GETTING READY FOR an important meet, cross-country team members do their usual preliminary stretches.

"WHO WILL BE the "leader of the pack?" That was probably the question in everyone's mind as a cross-country meet gets started *en masse*.

They Keep the Spirits High

"It's really great when your team is winning and the crowd is behind you. That makes it all worthwhile," said LaDonna Jaynes.

The junior high cheerleading squad had an exciting and unusual year. Their sponsor Cheryl Medley, quit in the middle of the year to have a baby, and the girls were left virtually without a sponsor for the rest of the season.

"When Mrs. Medley left, Miss Black was supposed to become our sponsor, LaDonna Jaynes explained. "But she wasn't able to come to many of the games, so Diann (Foster) was almost completely in charge."

"I think she was really super!" Michelle Clardy enthused. "She really worked hard and she was able to take over and be a real leader, especially after Mrs. Medley left to have her baby."

Wild and unexpected experiences were a part of life for the junior high cheerleaders. For instance, on the day they were playing Muscle Shoals the squad got left at school.

"We were late getting out to the bus and Coach Bates left us," Diann explained. "We had to get Mr. Snodgrass to carry us all the way to Muscle Shoals.

"It was embarrassing," she concluded.

Cheerleader camp was a successful experience for the junior high squad. They attended camp at Freed-Hardeman College. They were chosen the best squad in the camp. "Being named the best was really exciting for us," Diann remembered. "It was one of the highlights of our year.

KEEPING IN LINE was the responsibliity of freshmen leaders Diann Foster and Michele Clardy. Usually a smile from Diann was enough to do the trick.

HALF AND HALF. Part of the spirit leaders find something to laugh about while the others haven't become aware of the fun as yet. Smiles were important to all the girls as they kept spirit high.

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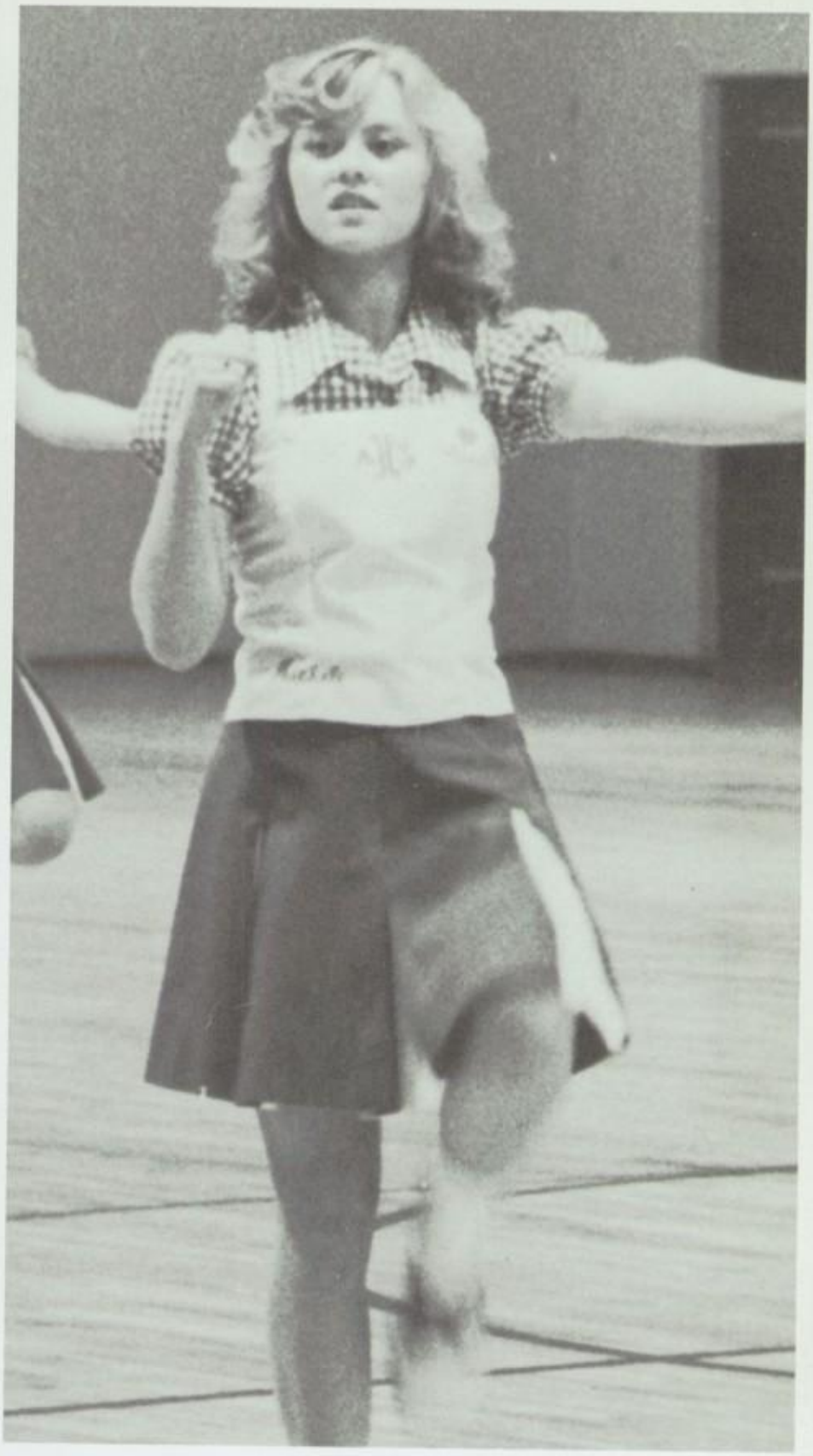
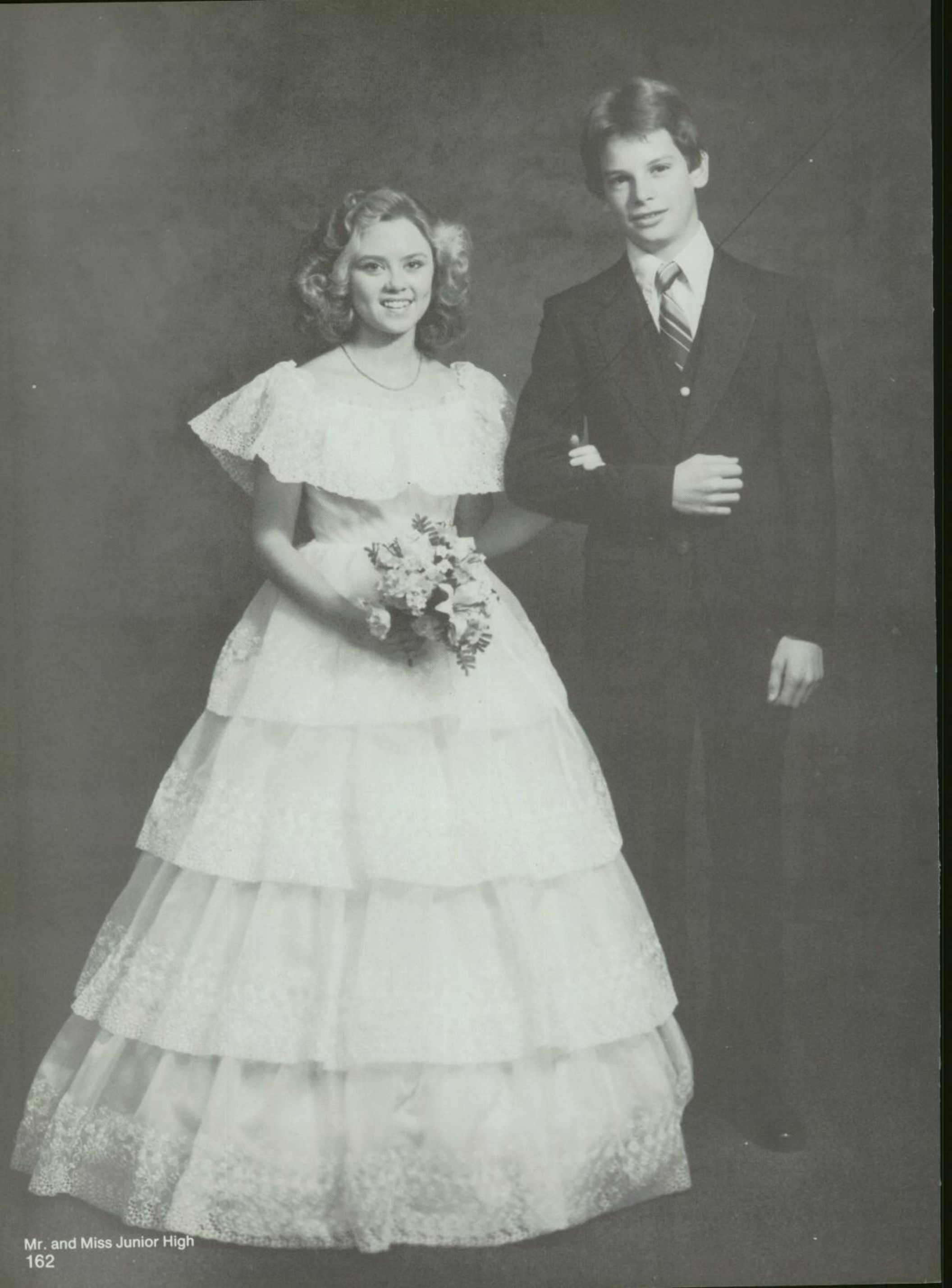


MEMBERS OF THE junior high cheering squad were LaDonna Jaynes, Trisha Holley, Charlotte Hanback, Michelle Clardy, Diann Foster (head) and Laura Baker.

WIN OR LOSE, junior high cheerleaders cheered the Panthers on.

FANS HELP TO support the cheerleaders in boosting spirit for a Panther victory.

"CAN'T BE DEFEATED!" Michelle Clardy shows her spirit during a floor cheer at halftime.



Mr. and Miss Junior High

Junior High Selects 'Ideals'

"Ladies and gentlemen, I now present to you Mr. and Miss Junior High!"

With these words, Who's Who emcee Al Jackson announced Michelle Clardy and Joe Walker to the audience at the 1981 Who's Who presentation.

"Getting presented in front of all those people was kind of scary, but it was also very exciting," Michelle remembered. "It made me feel really good."

According to Michelle, being named Miss Junior High was a true honor.

"I felt deeply honored when they announced my name," she explained. "I was thankful to all the students for thinking so highly of me."

Most junior high students seemed to believe that Michelle really deserved the honor.

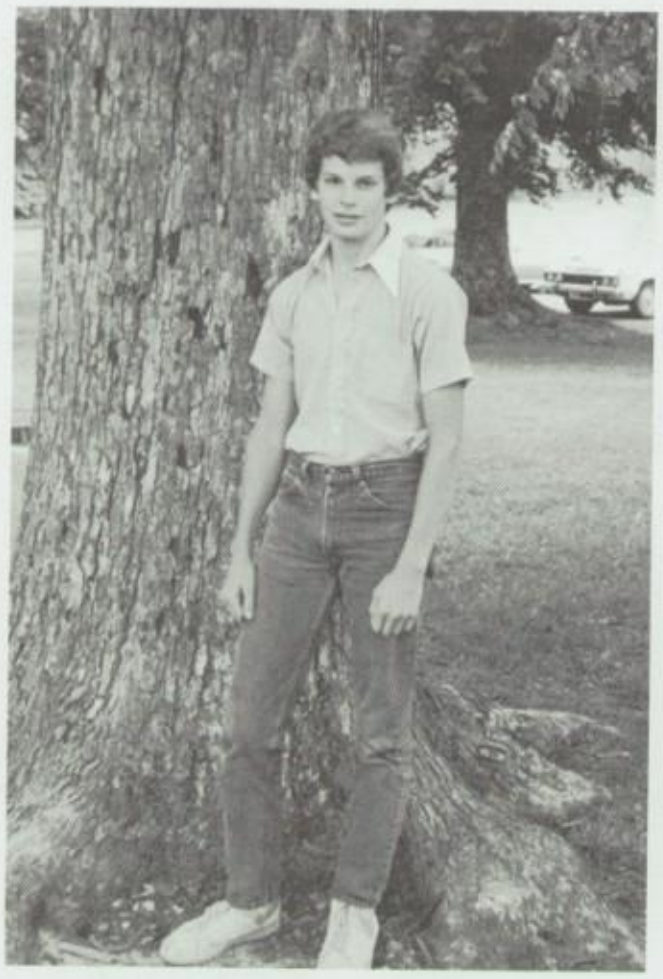
"I think Michelle deserved to be Miss Junior High because she's really sweet and she's a good example to everyone," Paige Faulkner said.

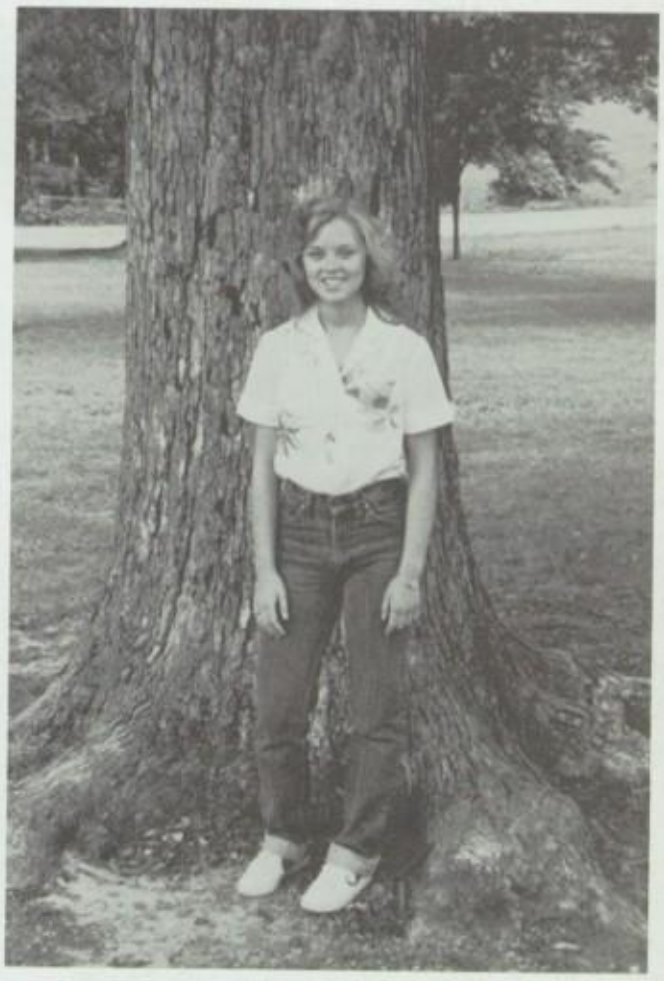
Joe Walker, who was named Mr. Junior High, also said he felt honored to be selected for the honor.

"I couldn't believe I got it," he said. "It was a nice surprise, and it made me really want to live up to the title."

According to the junior high classes, Joe was the obvious choice for Mr. Junior High.

"Joe was the perfect choice," Kevin Broadfoot commented. "He really represents what the school is supposed to be all about."





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Junior High Nominates Ideal Students

"Being nominated for Miss Junior High was a true honor for me."

Ninth grader Diann Foster seemed to sum up the feelings of the Mr. and Miss Junior High nominees with this statement.

"It feels really good to be nominated for such an honor," Brian Price explained. "At first you find it hard to believe, but the more you think about it, the better it feels!"

Mr. and Miss Junior High are the highest honors a student can receive while a junior high student. The students are first chosen by the faculty members, and then they are voted on by the junior high students.

"**It was great to think** that the students in junior high thought so highly of me," Mitzi Reeves commented.

There were 10 nominees in all, five boys, and five girls. They were Ginger McGuire, Mitzi Reeves, Angela Longshore, Jamie Wright, and Diann Foster, Jay Watkins, Robert Hanback, Mike Watson, Andy Mitchell, and Brian Price.

The nominees were presented to the public on April 18 during Who's Who.

"Getting to walk out on stage was really exciting," Jamie Wright remembered. "The whole experience was just great."

MR. AND MISS Jr. High Nominees were Mike Watson and Mitzi Reeves, Diann Foster and Robert Hanback, and Jay Watkins and Jamie Wright.

NOMINEES ABOVE LEFT are Brian Price and Ginger McGuire. Above right are Andy Mitchell and Angela Longshore.

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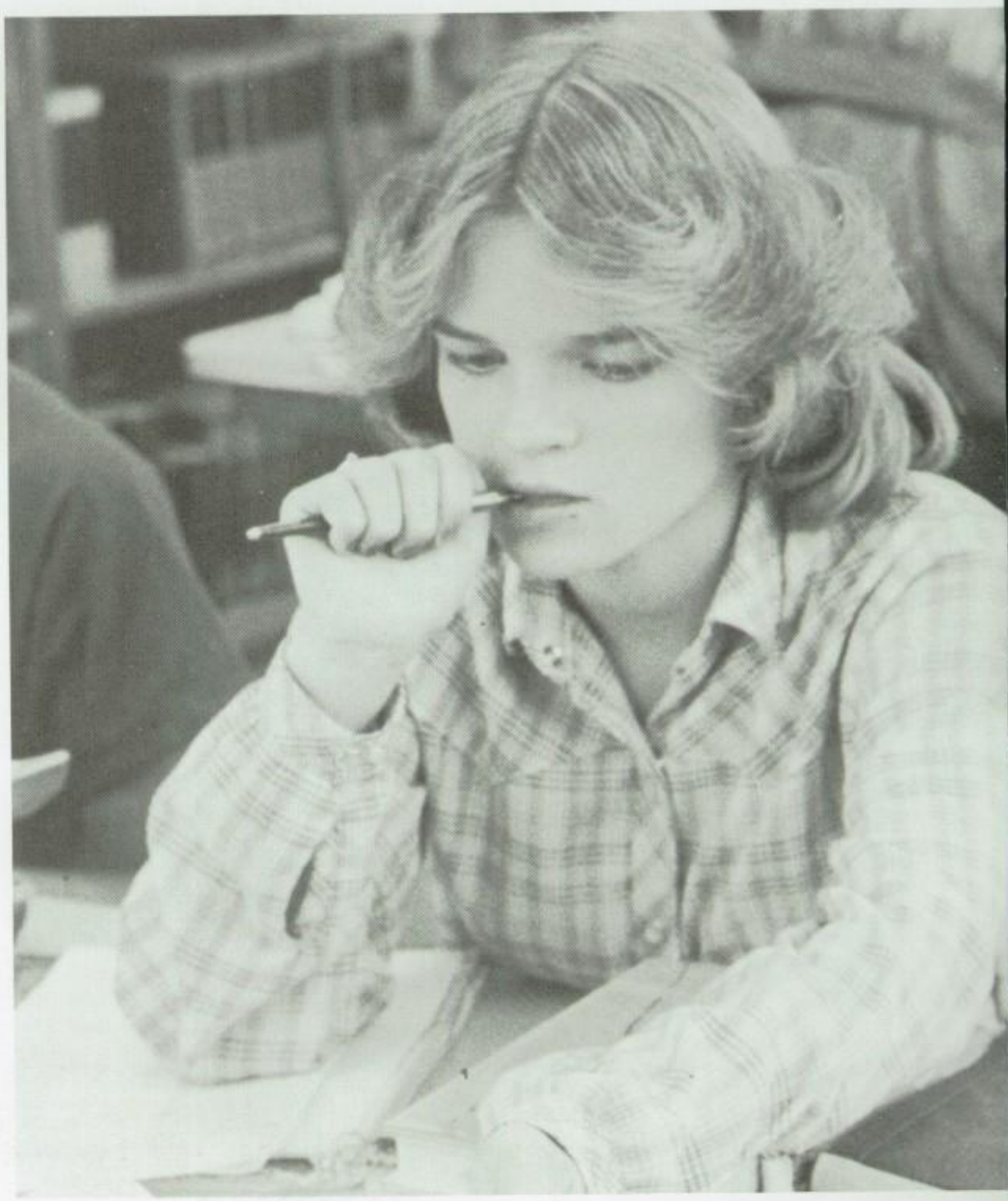
Nominees

TERM PAPERS, BOOK reports, extra credit . . . the list of library assignments seemed endless. Molly Rutland and Beth Clemmons work on yet another project in the library.

WAITING FOR THE BELL at 3:00 p.m. is Patti Grimes. Classes are fun but so is the afternoon bell.

PENS WEREN'T MADE just for writing. Students also chewed on them, often trying to get inspiration for assignments. Penny Baggett flips through a book looking for that elusive idea for an essay.



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CHORUS WAS A new and exciting event for members under the leadership of Al Jackon. However, it wasn't always easy. Mr. Jackson required absolute concentration when singing, as shown by Kim Hale and Ginger McGuire.

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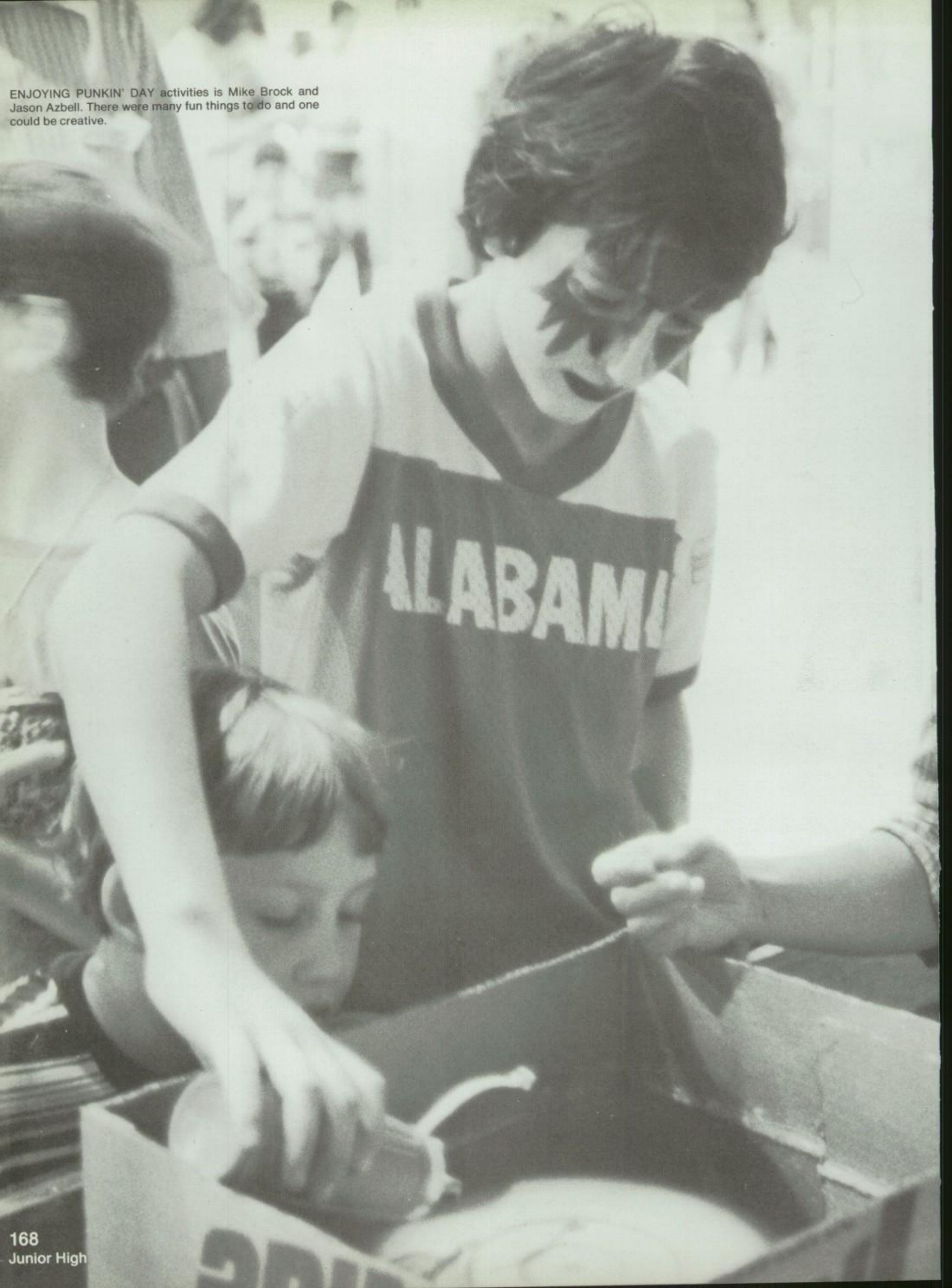
Music, Chorus, Programs,
History, Geography, Current Events,
Bible, Maps, Memory Verses,
Mathematics, Graphs, Algebra,
English, Themes, Grammar,
Science, Microscopes, Lab Work,
Field Trips, Bus Rides, Guest Speakers,
Classes, Lectures, Projects,
Library, Research, Encyclopedias,
Tests, Late Hours, Grades, Multiple Choices,
Books, Reports, Reading . . .
Studies

PEOPLE PASSING THE library were used to seeing Junior High students working frantically. Michelle McGee, Vicki Austin, and Barry West make good use of library materials.

EATING DURING CLASSES? For Ann Hammond's students, it was a familiar event. Students learned about different countries and received deeper understanding of literature through sampling related foods. Vicki Hill holds a tray of finger foods as Amanda Reatherford looks on.



ENJOYING PUNKIN' DAY activities is Mike Brock and Jason Azbell. There were many fun things to do and one could be creative.

BUYING CORN DOGS specially prepared by Rayford Henry are Terry Brown and Kevin Broadfoot. Bro. Henry has been making his famous product at school activities for over 20 years.

A WISTFUL LOOK out the window was characteristic of most junior high students and especially Joe Walker and Joel Baggett. Oh for the 3:00 p.m. bell!

THE DUKES OF MARS HILL? Not quite. But Lisa Hamm, Stephanie Walker, and Charlotte Hanback pose on the good 'ole 'General Lee' at Punkin' Day.

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Things you always wanted to know about elementary

*Jeff and Leigh Ann Rickard live the closest to the school. They live exactly six yards and one foot away from the school.
*Tamesha Rutherford lives the fartherst from school. She lives exactly 37 miles from Mars Hill.
*The most common length of letters in the last name of elementary students is five.
*The most common beginning letter in the last name is "B."
*There are 17 students with red hair in the elementary.
*There are five people with braces in the elementary.
*There are 46 doors in the elementary.
*Richard Taylor has 29 students and the largest class.
*Mrs. Jane Weatherly has six students for the smallest class.
*Richard Taylor has been teaching at Mars Hill for 25 years.
*Judy Kirchner and Jane Weatherly have been teaching for one year.
*Lee Beddingfield is the tallest person at 5'8".
*Brian Waymire is the shortest person at 3'4".

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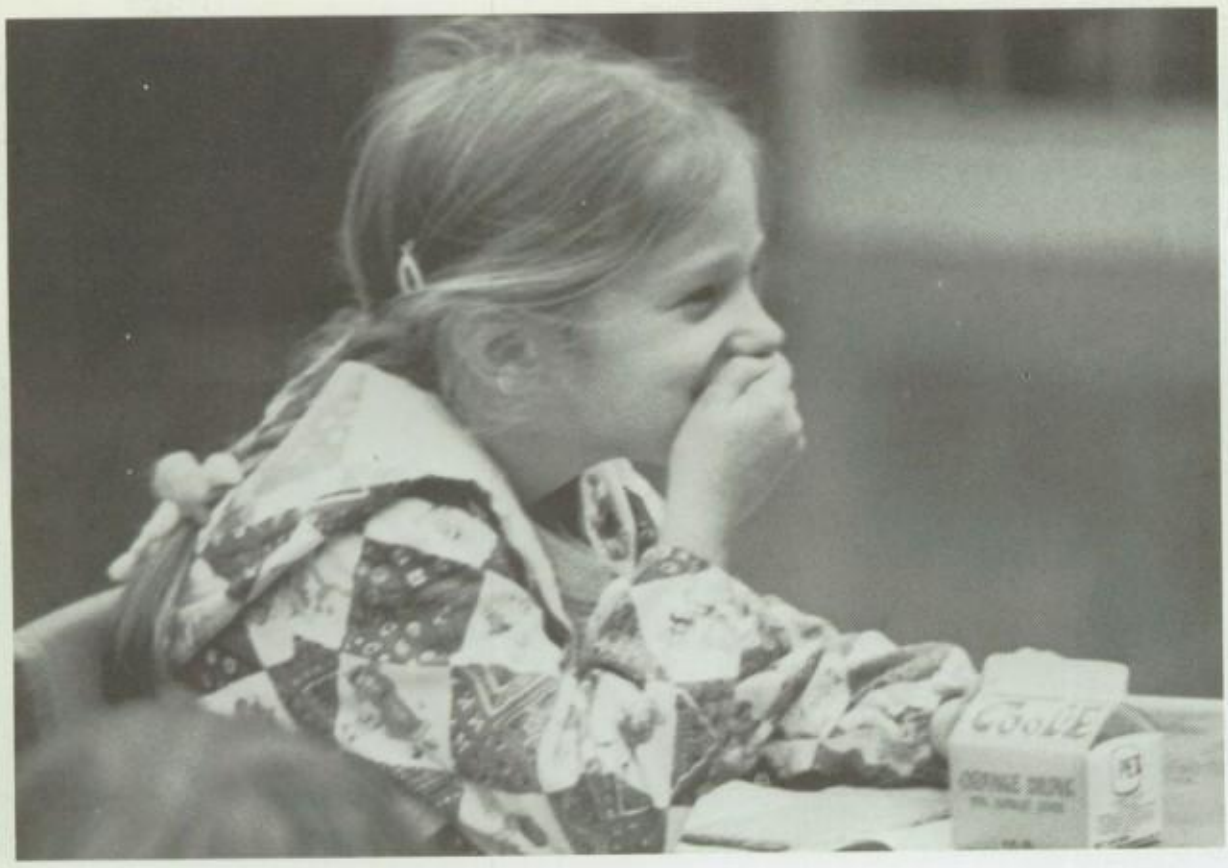
A DESERVED REWARD for Punkin' Day sales is enjoyed by the students in Richard Taylor's class including Mr. Taylor and Candice Garner.

BELTING OUT their favorite song, Amanda Rickard and Angela Cole join in music practice.

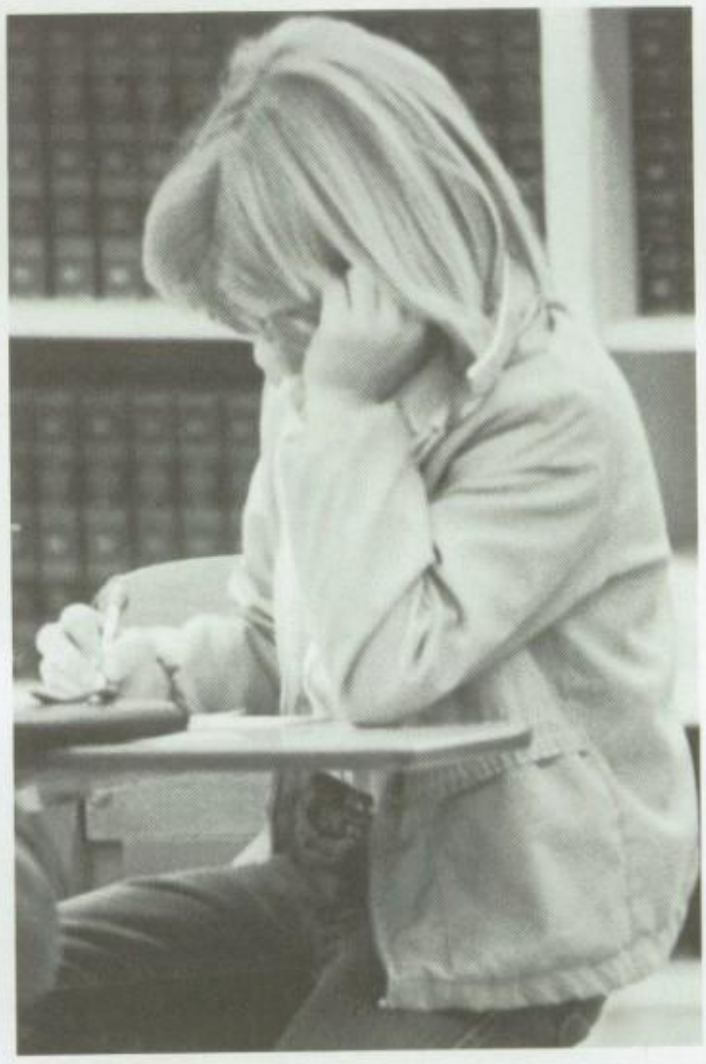
Jolie Harrison, Christy Winn, editors

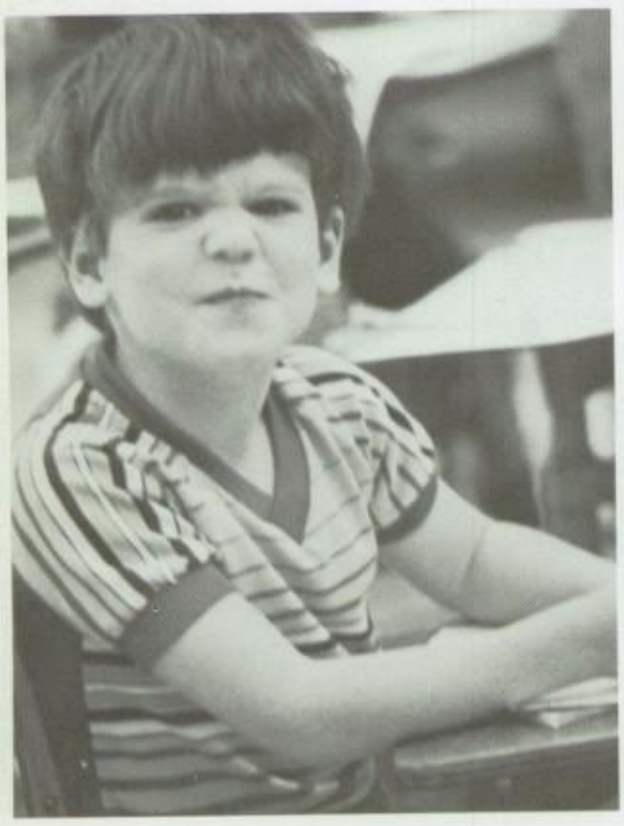


DURING snacktime break, Laurie Lanier takes time out for a giggle.

LOST IN THOUGHT, Kellie Heffernan works on her own special masterpiece.

A, B, C's, Fun and Work Top Year





GETTING THROUGH ANOTHER ONE of those rough tests is hard work for Rebecca Balentine.

YOU'VE GOT BE KIDDING!" Carey Branscome wrinkles up his nose at the thought of one more test.

Running in the halls, singing in music, listening to teachers, going to chapel, working hard on magazine sales and newspaper drives, playing during P.E. and recess — all these were important parts of a school day filled with fun and learning.

From the 8:00 a.m. bell until the mad dash for the buses at 2:55 p.m., it was an exciting life.

There were accidents, ballgames, cheering, dirty clothes from recess, exams, fish, grass stains, history lessons, ice cream, jump rope, kickball, laughter, monkey bars, noise, outlines, P.E., quiet rules, rest time, studying, teams, uniforms, viruses, wisecracks, xylophones (nothing else fits), yardsticks, and zoos.

Though elementary life wasn't all fun and games, it wasn't all work either. Most of the teachers tried to make learning a fun experience.

"The students responded more to exciting new challenges, so they learned while having fun," commented second grade teacher Mrs. Clara Jo Burgess.

Elementary students proved to be effective money-raisers. Bro. Taylor's sixth grade class raised $1200. for the school by selling more Punkin' Day tickets than any other class. The class was rewarded with a trip to Opryland and two fun days.

The Kindergarten had many field trips this year. They went to the Station 1 fire department and learned how it operates. During their study on animals they took a trip to a

"HEY THAT MOVED!" Taking another look to make sure the chicken on his tray didn't move is David Hale.

farm and saw some horses, cows, and goats. They also went to the Regency Square aquarium show.

Of course some things in school aren't always fun. While taking a nature walk to Mars Hill Creek the Kindergarten students lucked up on a bee hive, only it wasn't good luck. A couple of students were stung severely. Some of the kindergarteners were disillusioned and didn't want to come back to school.

Some elementary students might have thought they weren't going to get to come back to school if they heard the rumors on April 13 that the school had burned down. The truth was the lunchroom kitchen had caught on fire and the rest of the lunchroom had received damage. The consequences were sack lunches every day for the rest of the school year. Chad Holley of Mrs. Jan England's second grade summed up the feelings of most students by saying, "I think it's funner eating outside and getting Cokes 'cause we get to play after we eat."

At any rate when the final bell rang at 3:00 p.m. on May 20, some 400 students filed out of their rooms and moved down the hallways toward cars and busses.

With them went a host of memories, a large number of new friends gained during the year, and a better understanding of math, music, science, English, social studies, and Bible.

It had been a year of fun and a year of problems.

And the year, at last, was over.

"PRAISING the Lord in song" ... Elementary children enjoy chapel singing led by Jewel Kendrick.

THE FINAL CATCH gives the Sixth Grade girls another victory over the boys.

HANG IN THERE Lydia Smith, school is almost out!

MAKING IT through a whole hour without talking to a friend in class comes impossible to Becky Cochran.

Barry Burch
Curt Conner
Misti Counts
Jim Holtin
Drew Malone
Will Malone

Chastity Mansell
Tiffany Schifano
Robin Taylor
Gerald Wright
Amy Azbell

FROM THE KINDERGARTEN MUSIC program at the Florence campus to the special year-end ceremonies at Highland Park, the Colbert County group enjoyed their year. (LEFT) Mrs. Harrison directs the combined kindergartens in the annual musical. (ABOVE) Class members receive the first certificates from the Colbert County School. (RIGHT) Robin Taylor receives a trophy for perfect attendance.

Mrs. Kirchner, Mrs. Weatherly

Jennifer Britton
James Carter
Anna Graham
Stephen Hooper
Karl Peters
Lara Sides

Colbert County's branch of Mars Hill was in its first year, but it was a year filled with activities and challenges.

One section of kindergarten and one section of first grade were included in the school. The kindergarten section had eleven students, and the first grade had six.

Some of the Colbert County students' activities included picking pumpkins from a pumpkin patch at Halloween, having breakfast with Santa Claus at Christmas, and taking a ride to Iuka, Mississippi on a steam locomotive.

Farm animals were interesting to the students. They visited several farms in West Colbert County. "We saw a cow being milked, fed chickens, gathered eggs, and saw lots of baby pigs," first grade teacher Jan Weatherly said.

Friday was the day the classes came to the MH playground in Florence for recreation.

The Colbert County students met in the Highland Park Church of Christ building in Muscle Shoals. Arrangements were made for next year's classes to meet in the old Metro Shoals building.

"I think we really had a great first year," kindergarten teacher Judy Kirchner said.

An Artistic Touch

"A picture is worth a thousand words."

This phrase was coined long ago, but Bro. Rayford Henry's art classes continued to follow this philosophy as they turned out their own personal masterpieces.

Bro. Henry taught art to all the elementary classes. The main activity the aspiring artists participated in was painting.

"One of our big events is our easel painting week. We also take different subjects for different weeks. Like one week we'll paint on animals, another on nature, and on all kinds of other things," he said.

Holidays were big events for the art students. As a holiday approached, the art classes concentrated their artistic efforts on themes that went along with the upcoming festivities. At Christmas, they made Christmas presents for their family members.

According to Bro. Henry, the biggest activity for the year was making decorations for the AWO supper in the auditorium.

"We made all the decorations for the AWO supper, and they all turned out really pretty," Henry remarked.

"We like to give everyone a chance to display their work, so we have a painting hall," Henry explained. "All the students hang their paintings in the hall, and then everyone gets to come by and look at them."

Coloring week was another special time, when the artists concentrated on creating pictures with crayons.

Art class added variety to the academic routine of elementary life.

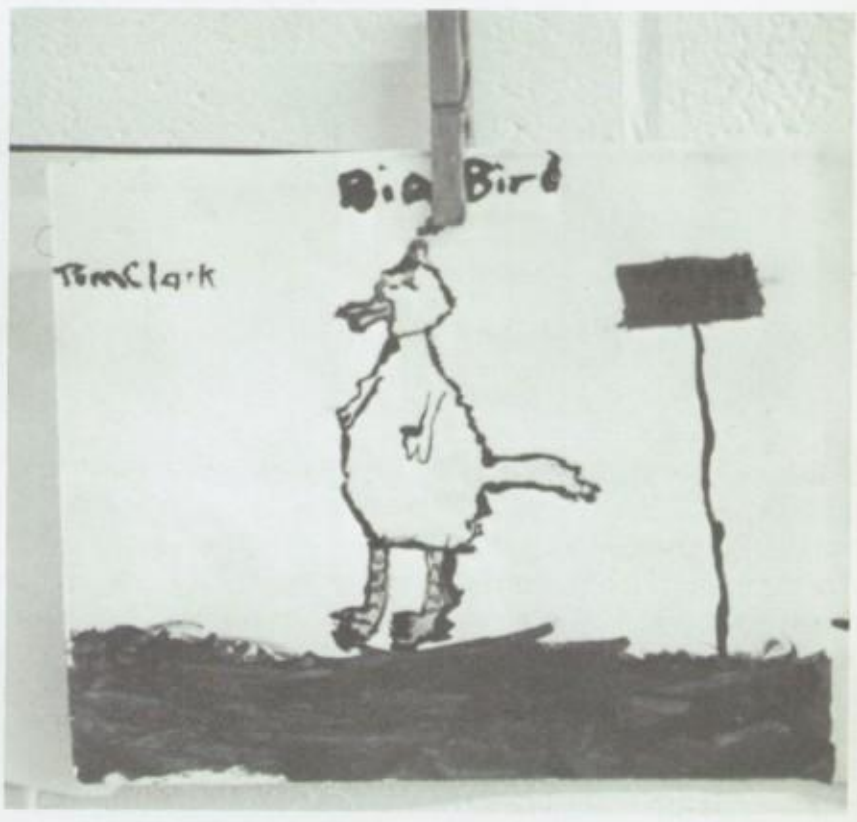
"I really love it," Lois Tillery said. "It's a nice change from dull school work."

"HEY, THIS IS FUN!" Ryan Hughes enjoys watercolor painting during art class.

ABOVE: CLEANING BRUSHES was routine work in Art for Ben McClure, Ruth Hall, and Candice Garner.

"FLOWERS EVERYWHERE . . ." Jeremy Odom works on his drawing of a giant flower during art class.

BELOW: SESAME STREET isn't hard to find when you're an eleven year old with a wet paint brush as Tim Clark can easily tell you.



"We had a hard-working group this year!" kindergarten teacher Mrs. Harrison enthused.

"Our students brought in a large amount of newspapers for the paper drive," Mrs. Harrison continued. "They really wanted to do their part."

Holidays proved exciting for the youngest students in the school. On Valentine's Day they made a trip to the post office to mail Valentines for their parents. The Christmas season found the class entertaining shoppers with Christmas carols at Regency Square.

Since 1980 was an inaugural year, kindergarteners were able to see Presidential elections first hand. In art classes they made Inauguration hats and flags. On Inauguration Day they watched the ceremonies on television.

Presidential birthdays were also celebrated. For instance, on Lincoln's birthday, the students

Mrs. Harrison

HOLIDAYS WERE FUN! Students colored eggs at Easter and sang at the mall during Christmas.

Dewayne Ballew
Doris Bobo
Stacey Choat
Joshua Gray
Shauna Heathcock
Kellie Heffernan

Ryan Hughes
Matthew Hurley
Benji Ivey
Shayla Lansdell
Becky Martin
Chrispin Montgomery

Nancy Mann
Janet Posey
Lee Smith
Judy Stricklin
Tommy Underwood
Brian Waymire

Anna Wilson
Dustin Wright
Peddy Young

created log cabins out of pretzels to honor the building where Lincoln was born.

Kindergarteners also got a head start on reading as they learned alphabet recognition and phonics. Learning tools included the *Weekly Reader Magazine* and *Getting Ready to Read Workbooks.*

Math readiness was another important part of kindergarten life. Students learned with helping tools such as Learning Centers, and a game called "Take-Away." They also practiced counting and kept up with day numbers with calendars.

According to Mrs. Harrison, her class was really a smart group. "I was surprised to see how well my students caught on," she commented. "I'm really very proud of them."

And, like all kindergarteners, those in the class spent time meeting new friends. Many of them would stay together for 12 more years.

It was quite a beginning.

KINDERGARTEN

"Is it time to eat yet?"

Kindergarteners in Mrs. Faulkner's class enjoyed eating and they got a chance to try foods from different countries during the year.

"The kids really enjoyed getting to try these new and different foods," Mrs. Faulkner explained. "It was a new and interesting experience for them!"

Social studies was another subject enjoyed by the students. They continued to increase their knowledge of the world as they studied the different ways in which children of other cultures lived.

"We enjoyed making pine cone bird feeders and decorating trees with food during our bird study," Mrs. Faulkner said. The students were able to watch the birds as they ate.

Several students were added to the class when the Christmas holidays were over, but several also left. "We were sorry to see some of our students leave, but we made up for it when we got some new ones."

Learning about giving thanks was made enjoyable as students churned butter and made fried cornbread. They had a mini Thanksgiving feast, complete with Indian vests and headbands.

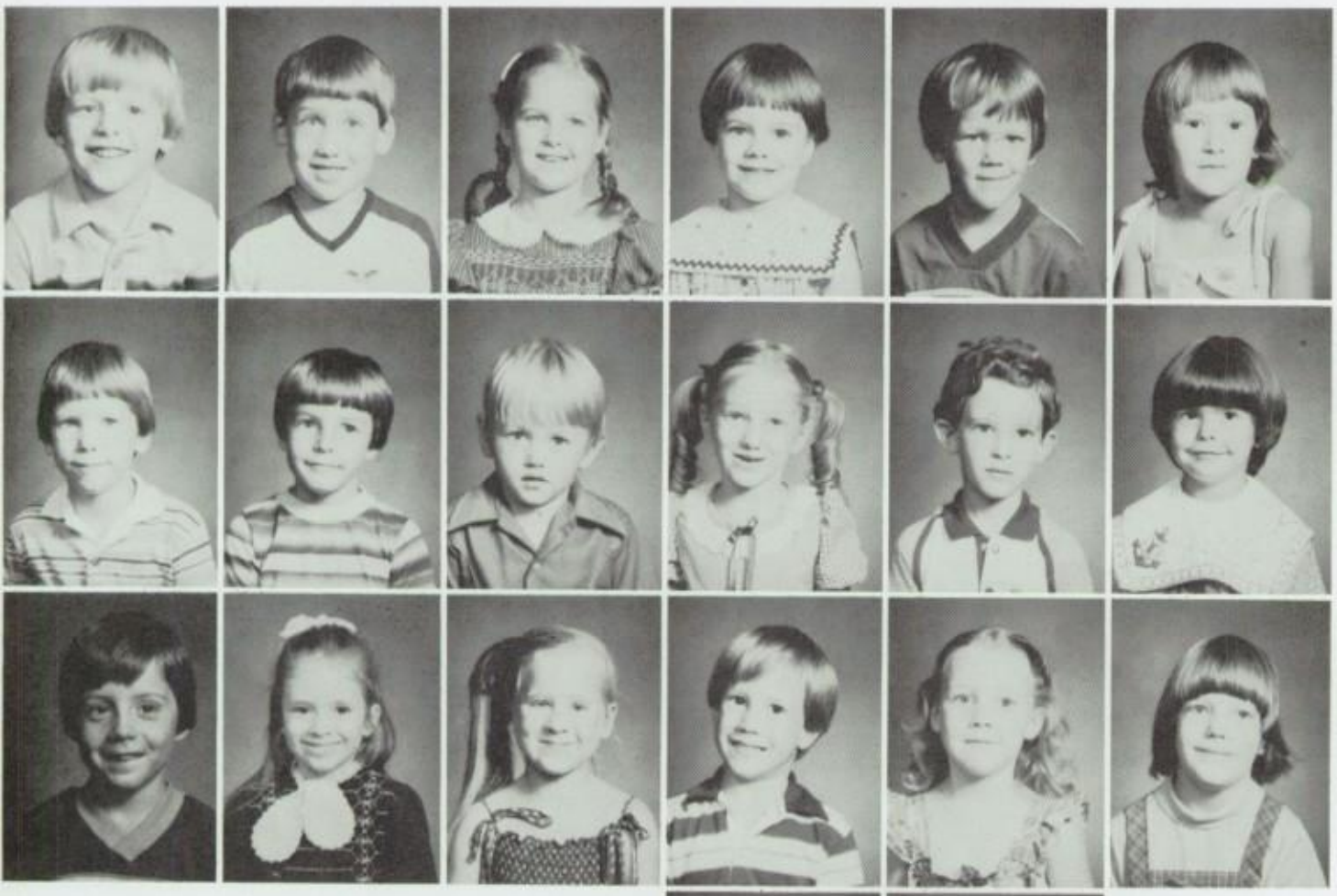
Christmas was an exciting season for kindergarteners. Elementary principal Robert Huffaker took the class to the woods and let them choose their own Christmas tree to decorate their room with.

Field trips also created excitement. The class was able to take a trip to see "The Muppet Movie" at the Martin Theater in Florence. The cast was made up almost exclusively of Jim Henson's muppets. It was an enjoyable experience for the whole class, according to Mrs. Faulkner.

Kindergarten proved to be an exciting experience as students started on the long road to high school. It was the first step on a 12-year journey and a step which involved a lot of activities, learning experiences, and new friends. The first step is now history.

"MONKEY SEE, MONKEY DO . . ." Play period is the best part of the day for energetic kindergarteners.

Mrs. Faulkner



Leslie Abston
Jason Azbell
Amber Barfield
Amy Bridges
Jeremy Barnette
Holly Green

Rodney Hester
Kevin Humphries
Shannon Hyde
Laurie Lanier
Brock Livingston
Becky McMurtrey

Eric Miles
Melissa Nipper
Lydia Quillen
Jay Staggs
Heather Stevenson
Angela Thigpen

Wade Watkins
Chris Williamson

"KING OF THE MOUNTAIN?" It's more like "King of the monkey bars." Becky Martin, Joey Brotka, and Janet Posey "reach for the sky" during recess.

DRINKING A COKE at lunchtime was enjoyed by Todd Foust.

"We had fun this year. We saw the movie "Song of the South", went on a train ride, and had a picnic," Mrs. Eva Jordan said.

There were other fun activities as well. "We were invited by Mrs. Lumpkins' class to a Halloween party. They told spooky stories. They were scary, but it was fun," commented Jodie Baker.

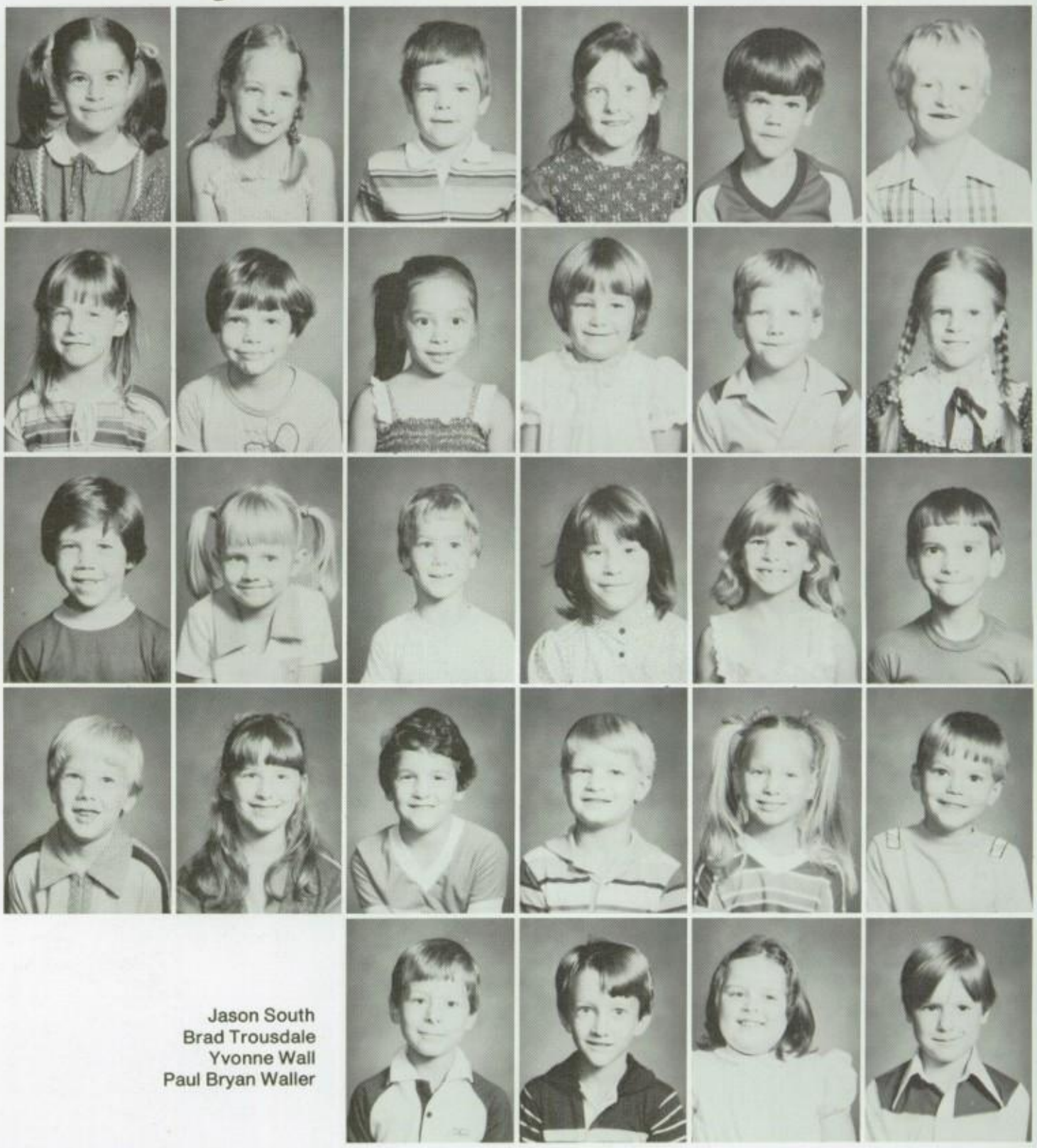
Mrs. Jordan's class also had a Thanksgiving party. They emphasized how thankful they should be for everything they have.

Mrs. Jordan's class had days where they shared their parent's work with the class.

"**The most exciting thing to me was when** my daddy came to school and demonstrated how to put a cast on somebody," said Kristi Johnson. Kristi had to wear a cast for an afternoon.

"In all we had a very good year. We are learning the values of life and having a lot of fun," Mrs. Jordan said.

Mrs. Jordan



Jodie Baker
Jenny Barrier
Sean Belew
Laura Berry
Carey Branscome
James Cooley

Mitzi Cosper
Anneila Cross
Stephanie Davis
Rhonda Dugger
Todd Foust
Christie Garner

Matthew Hall
Christy Harbin
David Hunnicutt
Alison Jenkins
Laura Johnson
Jeff Kelley

James Lambert
Stephanie Lard
Jenna Morrison
Sam Peck
Mitzi Quillen
William Joseph Robinson

Jason South
Brad Trousdale
Yvonne Wall
Paul Bryan Waller

FIRST GRADE

"All aboard!"

An exciting time for Mrs. Lumpkins' class was a trip to Iuka, Mississippi on an old-fashioned steam locomotive.

"The kids really enjoyed the train ride," Mrs. Lumpkins commented. "It was a real learning experience for them, since a lot of them hadn't ever seen a steam locomotive before."

Learning to read was a big step for first graders.

"It's really exciting for the kids to finally be able to read," Mrs. Lumpkins explained.

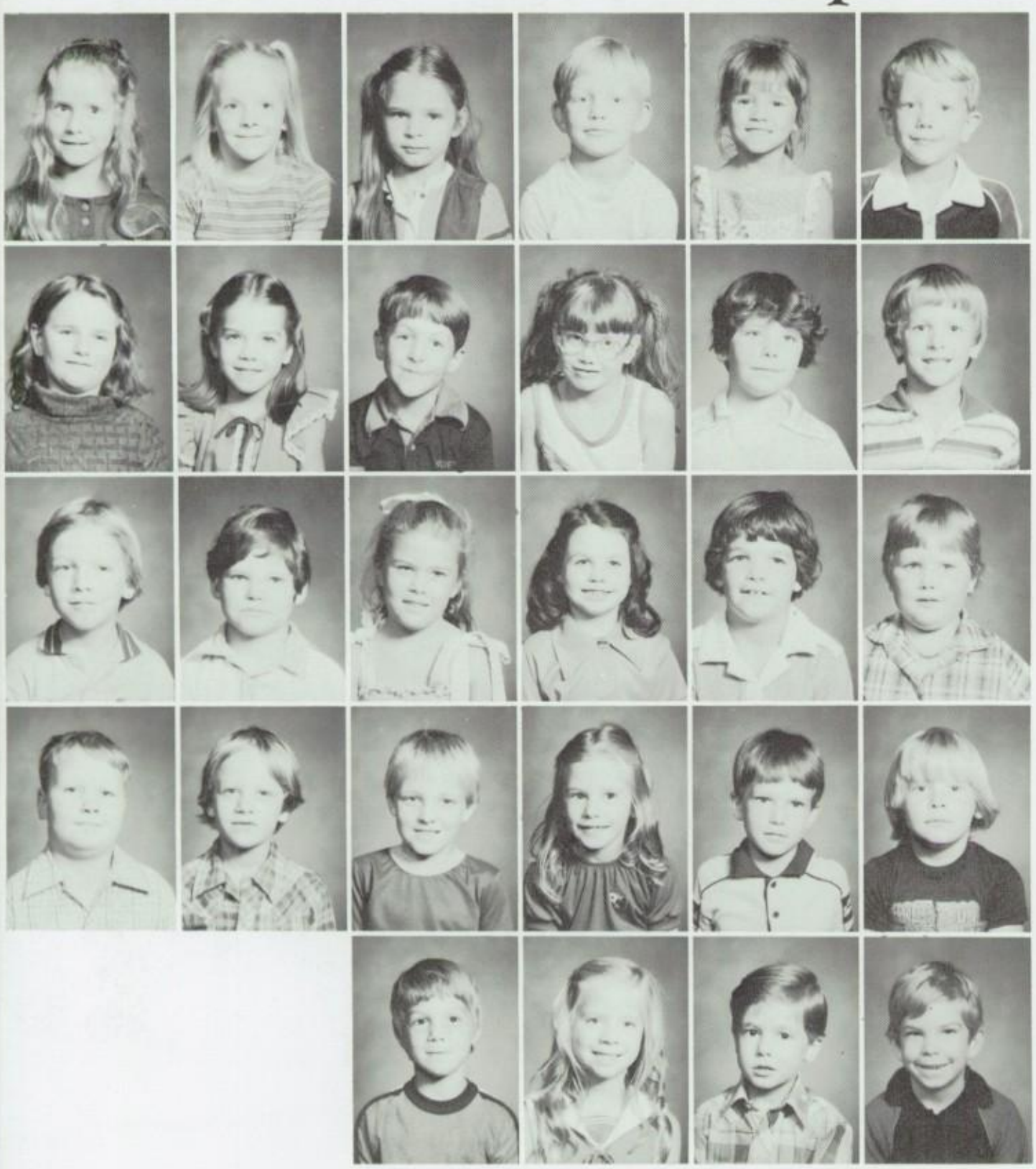
Miracles of nature became a fascinating world for first graders. For instance, they learned about the life cycle of tadpoles as they watched them develop into frogs.

"The tadpoles were really a highlight for the kids," Mrs. Lumpkins remembered.

"It was a great year!" she concluded.

WORKING HURRIEDLY, Bart Holt tries to finish his deskwork before anyone else.

Mrs. Lumpkins



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Jessica Carpenter
Ray Carpenter
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Stewart Dean

Angela Eaton
Stacy Ford
Todd Fritts
Missy Gentle
Tosha Grigsby
Bart Holt

Wesley Jaynes
David Jackson
Kristi Johnson
Amy Kelley
Brett Leinard
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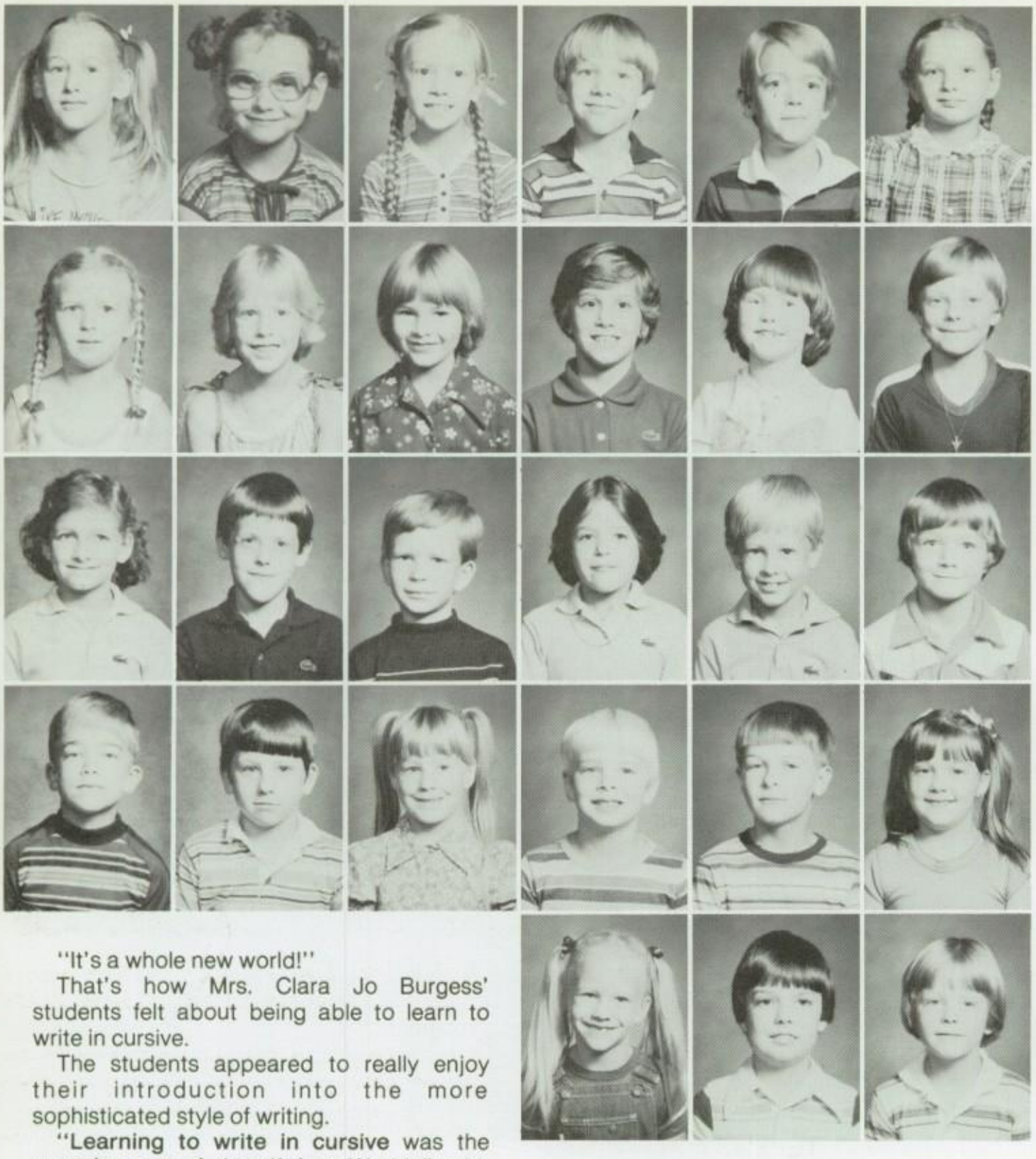

Michele Barker
Zandria Brown
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Jerry Ellett
Rhonda Fuller

Kristie Golden
Vanessa Grigsby
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Kelli Harvey
Barbara Heffernan
Matthew Heupel

Bess Jasper
Johnny Lee
Barry Lumpkins
Christy Lynn
Craig McMurtrey
Jason Mansel

Terry Medley
Jay Mitchell
Dana Newton
Lee Phillips
Brent Rudder
Karen Smith

Amy Waddell
Trey Wesson
Chad Wilson

Mrs. Burgess

"It's a whole new world!"

That's how Mrs. Clara Jo Burgess' students felt about being able to learn to write in cursive.

The students appeared to really enjoy their introduction into the more sophisticated style of writing.

"**Learning to write in cursive** was the most fun part of class," Amy Waddell said. "It was my favorite thing!".

Success was also part of the year for the class. After winning the paper drive, students visited Regency Square's Baskin Robbins to get treated with ice cream cones.

Selling magazines also proved profitable to the class as they won a fun day, which they spent playing in the park and going skating.

Living things were important to second graders.

"We like to plant seeds and watch them turn into plants," Barry Lumpkins commented.

According to Mrs. Burgess, the year was an all-around success for her class.

"We had a real interesting and wholesome year," she explained.

WATCHING TELEVISION is a favorite among the second grader's activities.

Stephanie Bevis
Zabrina Bruce
Thomas Cochran
Angela Cole
Geni Crittenden
Doree Davis

Jody Dickson
Jason Ford
Cindy Hargrove
Suzanne Heupel
Kelly Jeffreys
John Kelley

Joel Lewis
Dale Lyons
Ben Marrett
Robin McDonald
Patrick Newton
Brent Olive

Joshua Quillen
Amanda Rickard
Lydia Smith
Paul South
Anna Tirey
Brant Wilson

Michael Paul Woodfin

Mrs. Ezell

Learning games were an important part of second grade life for Mrs. Glenda Ezell's class.

"They loved to play games, so I tried to let them play games that would let them learn at the same time," Mrs. Ezell explained.

Math was an especially popular subject for learning games, according to Mrs. Ezell.

"We learned math by playing mailbox and math relay," she said. "The kids really loved playing and always looked forward to it."

Another area incorporating fun and learning was spelling.

"Spelling bees were a big activity for the kids," Mrs. Ezell remembered. "It was a chance for them to compete with each other on a friendly basis."

Learning about different countries was a big part of social studies for second graders. At the very end of the year they had a tasting tea which included foods from countries around the world.

According to Mrs. Ezell, the year was a very good year.

"It was such a good year. It seemed like everybody tried to do their best all year long," said Mrs. Ezell. "I'm extra proud of my students. They did a great job of learning and that made my job a lot easier."

GETTING READY for naptime is Suzanne Huepel and her friend.

Russell Allen
Jon Dale Azbell
Jenny Baker
Julie Blackwell
Beth Fritts
Calvin Gifford

Crissy Greene
Jamie Griffith
Jeff Heathcock
Marshall Lee Humphries
Heather Jenkins
Rita Jones

Karen Killen
Joey Lansdell
Ronald Nolan Letson
Brant Llewellyn
Suzanne May
Lee Parker

Angela Puryear
Jason Quillen
Beverly Ruth
Billy Thompson
Merrellyn Wear
Daniel Wright

David Zahnd

Mrs. Hazelbaker

Fun and learning do mix.

Norma Hazelbaker's students learned literature the easy way when they went to see "Hansel and Gretel" and "Cinderella."

"The kids really enjoyed the movies," Mrs. Hazelbaker remembered. "It truly made learning fun for them."

The burning of the lunchroom provided added relief for third graders. "Lunch is really fun now because we can buy Cokes, and then we get to eat outside," Heather Jenkins said.

Mrs. Hazelbaker emphasized living and growing things to her class. They experimented with gerbils and mice and watched fascinated as the gerbils grew. Another exciting activity was observing the progression of tadpoles into frogs.

"SING and you'll be happy today . . ." Members of Mrs. Hazelbaker's class participates in music class.

Jennifer Agee
Jeff Askew
April Black
Robin Bridges
Amanda Clemmons
Anna Counts

Lorne Counts
Brent Gooch
Kelli Jo Gooch
Lee Holland Hall
Chad Holley
Paula Holt

Janet Johnson
John Kimbrough
Greg Letson
Bradley Lewis
Sarah Mann
Rhonda Minor

Jeff O'Kelley
Bill Peck
Daryl Richardson
Leigh Ann Rickard
Michelle Skipworth
Amanda Wallace

Ethan Wright
Amy Young

Mrs. England

"This was the best year I've had!" Leigh Ann Rickard said as she summed up the feelings of the students in Mrs. England's class.

The class participated in many activities during the year. While studying a unit on deaf and blind people, the class made a trip to the home of Helen Kelier in Tuscumbia. One of the MH students' parents, Mrs. Branscome, came and taught sign language to the class.

Third grade is traditionally the year for learning multiplication tables. Mrs. England helped the class learn to multiply by allowing them to play math games at the blackboard.

In science, the students listened to tapes that went along with the book's text.

In the Punkin' Day ticket-selling competition, April Black won $25.

"It was a great year!" We tried to make learning fun. We all really enjoyed it," concluded Mrs. England.

RELAXING AFTER A CLASS TRIP, Rhonda Minor, Jennifer Agee, and Jeff O'Kelley gather their books and possessions for a bus ride home.

Rebecca Balentine
Tina Behel
Phillip Bergman
Randy Branscome
Tracey Burnette
Jonathan Cole

Regina Cooper
Randy Fox
Suzanne Grissom
Joel Hall
Heather Haygood
Shannon Heupel

Bobby Holt
Brandon Hovater
Amy Jaynes
Les Johnson
Russell Lambert
Deanna McDonald

A DAY'S ROUTINE INCLUDED putting up bulletin boards and visiting the library. Regina Cooper busies herself on the former while Russell Lambert, Jennifer Swinea, and Monica Nichols spend time with books and reports.

Shannon McMurtrey
Monica Nichols
Jeff South
Jennifer Swinea

Kelly Tompkins
Tracy White
Leigh Ann Wilson
Jamie Wimberly

Fourth grade was an exciting event for Mrs. Woodfin's class.

"We really had a great year!" Mrs. Woodfin enthused. "We set our goal at making this year the best we possibly could, and we really succeeded!"

The world of science proved to be a fascinating one for fourth graders. Experiments dealing with the weather were enjoyed by all who participated.

Colbert Steam Plant was a visiting ground for Mrs. Woodfin's class. "Visiting the steam plant was a lot of fun," Russell Lambert exclaimed. "We all loved it!"

Play period was looked forward to by the fourth graders because it gave them a chance to visit the playground. "The kids really looked forward to getting to go outside," Mrs. Woodfin said. "It was one of their favorite things."

DOING HOMEWORK in the quietness of the library is much easier for Tina Behel and Suzanne Grissom.

Mrs. Woodfin

FOURTH GRADE

Mona Alexander
Kaycee Behel
Rebecca Berry
Richie Brackin
Stacie Clemmons
Amanda Cooley

Monica Corfman
Lee Danley
Kevin Hamm
Natalie Hester
Heath Holland
Todd Holt

Joel Jackson
Aaron Johnson
Lloyd Johnson
Charity Lane Lindsey
Brit McClure
Andrea Mitchell

"Let's go to the movies!"

Fourth graders in Mrs. Thelma Fair's class enjoyed going to the high school to see "The Muppet Movie."

"The Muppet Movie" was really a lot of fun," Heath Holland said. "We got to miss a lot of class and everything."

Field trips taken by the class were to see Wilson Dam and the Hydroelectric and Steam Plant.

"My favorite time was going to Wilson Dam and getting to see the generators," Andrea Mitchell said.

"We worked very hard and tried to make this year the best one possible," Mrs. Fair explained.

According to Mrs. Fair, the class had a very hectic year.

"We had a busy and hectic schedule, but we had a great year!"

TEACHING TAKES A LOT OF HARD WORK, steady effort and concentration. Mrs. Fair strives to do her best to help her students learn more.

Mrs. Fair

Tommy Patterson
Sabrina Staggs
Lisa Tays
Kevin Uhlman

Marsha Knouff
Jeff Waddell
Kim Wilson
Dayna Young

SCHOOL IS A LOT OF HARD WORK but Tommy Patterson and Kevin Uhlman seem to always find something fun to go along with the work. If one doubts that fact, a quick talk with their teachers will tell you.

Trina Alexander
Jennifer Blackwell
Shannon Bridges
Tommy Broadfoot

Tammy Caudle
Tim Clark
Chris Craft
Tammy Crittenden

Susan Easley
Anthony Files
Matthew Gargis
Kristi Graham

Sam Harris
Bradley Holt
Janie Jones
Marsha Knouff

Andy Mann
Bonnie Montgomery
Brandon Olive
Sarah Phillips

Anna Rutland
Rebecca Sherrod
Levi Sides
Patrick Swinea

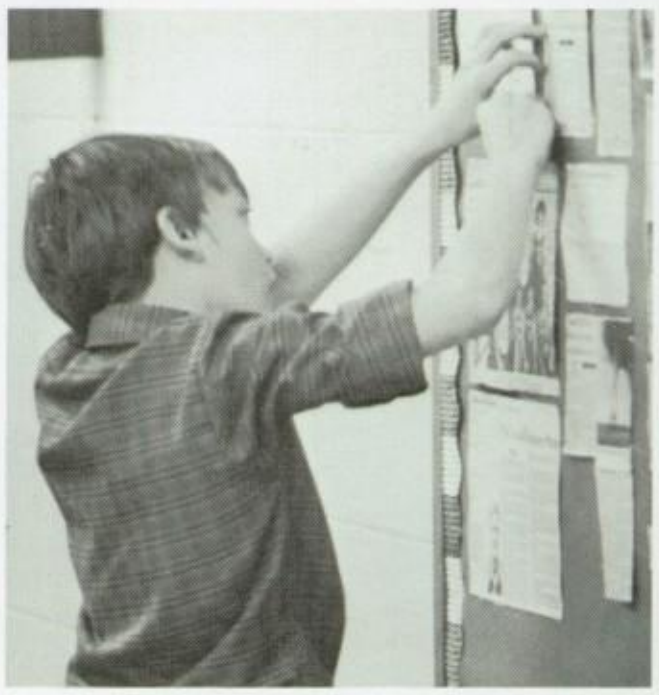
Kenny Whitten
Tommy Young

Mrs. White

A study of the differences in the 50 United States helped students learn more about their own country and its culture.

"We enjoyed studying the states, especially Hawaii," said Brandon Olive. "We had a 'Hawaiian party' after we finished studying it and that was lots of fun."

'News of the Week' was a project undertaken by Mrs. White's class to allow the students to "have a part in the world events." One is never too young to learn about and appreciate what's going on in the world," Mrs. White said. "And this was a very interesting year."



LUNCH TIME is a good time to chat with friends.

FIFTH GRADE teacher Kathleen White kept students informed of current events with her "News of the Week" bulletin board. It is being updated by Andy Mann.

SHOWING WHAT HE'S LEARNED in Social Studies, Shannon Bridges helps the class locate historic sites.

"I WISH I had brought my lunch" seems to be Kristie River's thought.

"WOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE IT," exclaims Fayette Berry, "I made an A!"

"KING OF THE WILD FRONTIER . . ." Dressed in early pioneer garb, Bradley Gooch demonstrates how to use a rifle to his classmate.

Neil Bergman
Fayette Berry
Kim Bevis
Sonya Bogus

Chancey Bruce
Emily Coats
Jeff Cochran
Carla Crowder

Kevin Foust
Bradley Gooch
Felicia Godsey
Suzanne Hames

Bryan Jasper
Molly Jones
Alison Martin
Alan May

Amy Newton
Chris Quillen
Kristie Rivers
Stephen Smallwood

Kim Stoddard
Suzanne Thorne
Kenny Whitworth
Leigh Ann Wilson

Mrs. Lansdell

"We have laughed together and cried together. We have searched our souls for answers. We have been happy and sometimes disappointed. We have loved each other like a family, and because of this we have learned," explained Jan Lansdell as she remembered the year.

It was an unusual year.

The students were busy with book reports where they had to prepare a visual presentation as well as an oral one. Students made mobiles, painted posters, brought objects similar to ones used in key parts of their story, or dressed up as one of the key characters in the book.

"We really had fun doing this and most did a superior job," Mrs. Lansdell said.

Other class activities included the making of "Twiggies" — people or animals made from twigs collected outside, and a lot of math work with fractions. "Some of the students actually began to enjoy them," Mrs. Lansdell added.

She continued, "Teaching a new grade as I have done, makes it difficult to do extra things (the fun things). If I could stay in one spot longer, I'd love to try new activities and maybe that will come in time."

Meanwhile, the Lansdell fifth grade will have a lot of fond memories and a good educational foundation. That's important.

Delane Angel
Bryan Barker
Jay Behel
Stacey Bevis

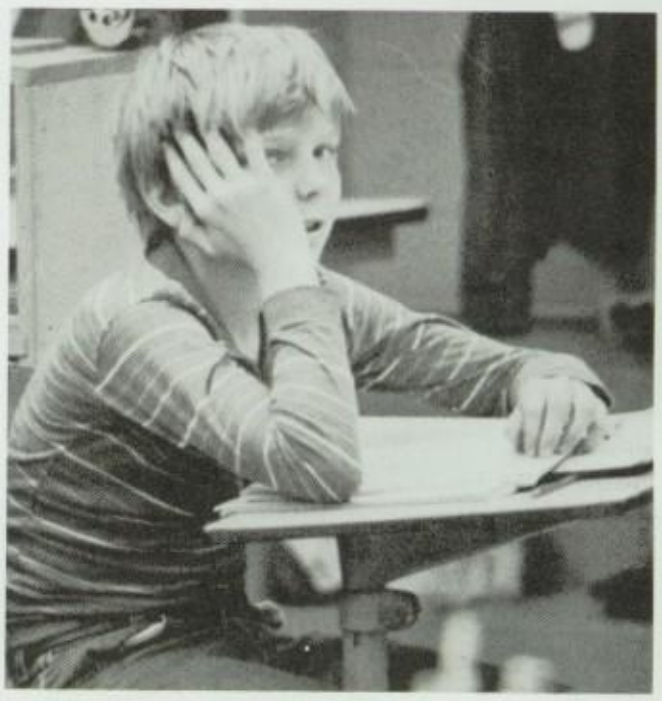
Leah Campbell
Patrick Clark
Tonya Cobb
Mitzi Davis

Kenneth Givens
Charlotte Goolsby
Ronnie Hayes
Jamie Hensley

Bruce Jordan
Melanie Kirchner
Joel Morrison
Nicole Newton

Jeff Rickard
Tamesha Rutherford
Lana Sledge
Derek Stracener

Jeffrey Uhlman
Retha Weems
Matthew Wright



GOOFING AROUND in lunch is more fun than eating to Matt Wright and Dale Hayes.

"OH NO!" Surely not more homework seems to be Jeff Uhlman's thought.

PAYING ATTENTION is an important part of learning to Retha Weems.

Mrs. Hunnicutt

Three sections in a class was an unusual occurrence at MH, but the fifth grade was so large that an additional section was required. Mrs. Susan Hunnicutt's section was added to fill the gap.

"Teaching fifth grade turned out to be a lot of fun for me," Mrs. Hunnicutt commented. "I had a good bunch of kids who were eager to learn and learned well."

P.E. and play period were the two favorite times of the day for Mrs. Hunnicutt's students.

"I liked playing on the track in the summer and jumping over the bushes on the hill when the teacher wasn't looking," said Jeff Rickard.

Fascinated by the stars and planets, the class took a trip to the UNA planetarium.

"The kids really enjoyed visiting the planetarium," Mrs. Hunnicutt remembered. "They were able to learn a lot about the stars, moon, and planets.

FIFTH GRADE

IN MEMORIAM
James Daniel Counts, II

"DANNY BOY"

James Daniel (Danny) Counts, II

Had God not given His only son
Our lives would be lived in vain,
For because of His giving, Danny is living,
And one day you'll see him again.

God needed a good little red-headed boy
To brighten His heavenly bouquet,
And He chose the dearest of boys on earth--
Your Danny--to center His "Glorious Day".

We do not question why He chose him,
For Danny was a special boy
Who loved life on God's beautiful earth,
And each day of it was a joy.

His smile was like that of an angel
That spoke more than words could say.
It helped to ease heartaches lots of times
And drive many troubles away.

His life was like a beautiful letter
Written on ten short pages of time,
And he filled those ten pages with good things
That will enrich your lives--and mine.

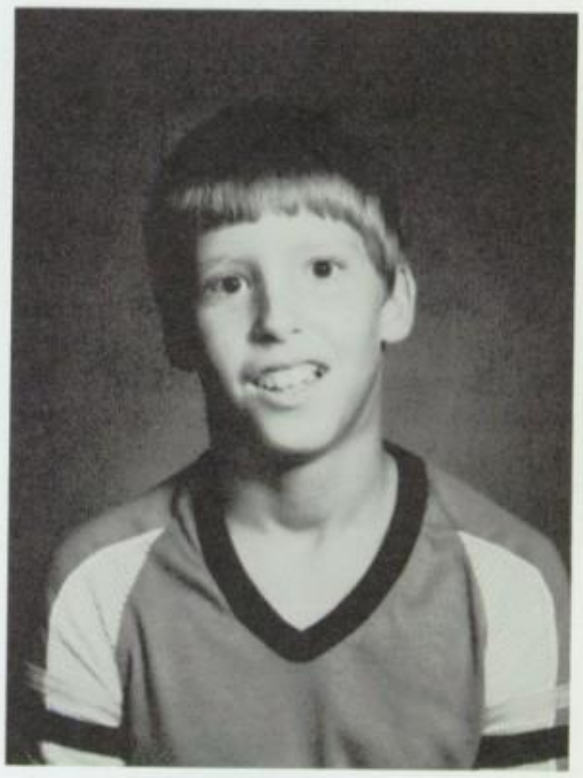
We will never forget dear Danny--
In fact, he's a part of each life
Who had the good fortune to know him
And share in his love for a while.

His love will last us our lifetime,
For he gave a full measure of this.
And we know at this very moment,
He lives in eternal bliss.

There now is a treasure in heaven
That wasn't up there before--
A treasure that's patiently waiting
To smile greetings at heaven's door.

"Hand in Hand With Jesus"
Was Danny's favorite hymn.
Now that he's gone, this song will live
As our lifelong memorial to him.

--by Minnie Lee Taliaferro, (12-8-80)



James Daniel Counts, II
December 21, 1969
October 4, 1980

A great loss was suffered at MH with the death of Danny Counts on October 4, 1980. He was described as being "a friend to his classmates . . . a joy to his teachers" in a Memorial Tribute.

Danny became a Christian when he was ten years old. He was a student at MH from kindergarten to the fifth grade.

As a tribute to Danny's memory, his classmates planted a white pine tree near the elementary building. A memorial service was held by the fifth grade class when the tree was planted.

Danny will be missed by all those who knew and loved him, but his memory will live on in their hearts.

"Thou shalt be missed because thy seat will be empty." I Samuel 20:18b

Geri Askew
Brian Branscome
Kevin Chandler
Tammy Clement
Jenny Cochran
Charles Corfman

Cheryl Cross
Tracy Crump
Lori Delano
Mareena Eaton
Candace Garner
Kathy Grigsby

Ruth Hall
Jim Henson
Patrick Holland
Lori Ann Howard
Steven Mark Killen

Mr. Taylor

A class of winners.

That's what students thought of when they thought about Richard Taylor's class.

"Winning" was indeed the best word to describe the group. They won the elementary magazine sale and their prize was two "Fun Days." On the first fun day they went to Skateland in Muscle Shoals and then to McFarland Bottom where they ate lunch. Finally, they traveled to Funland Park and had some good wet fun on the waterslide.

On the second fun day the sixth graders traveled to the NASA Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville. After eating lunch they went to the ice skating rink.

Sixth graders continued their winning streak as they won a trip to Opryland for selling the most Punkin' Day tickets. The class raised $1200 for the school.

RACING TO SEE who can get the answer first makes math more challenging for Patrick Holland, Kelly Young, Mareena Eaton and Lisa Quillen.

Terri Mitchell
Kim Nobles
Leslie O'Kelley
Shawn Puryear
Lisa Quillen
Greg Richards

Alan South
Lois Tillery
Jimmy Threet
Bradley Weber
Jill Young
Kelly Young

SIXTH GRADE

Lee Bedingfield
Allen Brooks
Jeff Clark
Kristi Clemmons
Rebecca Cochran
Cecily Crowder

Karron Davis
Sara Durdunji
Kristy English
Karen Fox
David Hale
Gina Hall

Mr. Kendrick

Shawn Hamm
Grant Hovater
Denise Huggins

Poised on the brink . . .

Ronald Kendrick's sixth graders were poised on the brink of a whole new world as they eagerly looked forward to their first year of junior high.

"I can't wait till next year!" Jeff Clark exclaimed. "It's a whole new world up there, and I'm really looking forward to being a part of it."

The class kept up the tradition of sixth grade winners as they won a fun day during the magazine sale. They chose to travel to the Birmingham Zoo and the Japanese and Botanical Gardens.

Sixth graders took advantage of the cafeteria fire to have some extra fun at lunch.

"My favorite thing at lunch is getting to buy Cokes," Susan Williamson enthused. "Even though the cafeteria fire was bad, it really made us have a lot more fun at lunch."

TRYING TO CLINCH ANOTHER WIN against the girls, the sixth grade boys really concentrate on this last pitch.

Leslie Jaynes
Andrea Kimbrough
Ben McClure
Lea Osborn
Christian Plunket
Scott Reaves

Mark Sherrill
Ginger Smith
John South
Tina Terrell
Susan Williamson
Chris Wright

Graduation: 'We're Moving Up!'

RECEIVING A DIPLOMA IS IMPORTANT to sixth graders. Alan South is awarded his by elementary principal Robert Huffaker while instructor Richard Taylor looks on.

PATRICK HOLLAND directs his classmates during graduation exercises.

WAITING IN LINE for the big night, sixth graders prepare to receive their diploma commemorating their successful completion of requirements for elementary graduation.

"It seems like yesterday when we were just starting school for the first time!"

Sixth grader Jenny Cochran summed up the feelings of the sixth grade class with this statement.

"It seems like we'll be starting over again when we get to seventh grade," Jenny continued.

As graduation is a big event for high school seniors, it was also a big event for sixth graders.

"I was really excited about graduation," Lisa Quillen said. "We'd been looking forward to it all year and it was really exciting when the day finally arrived."

"A Charge to Keep" was the theme for the sixth grade commencement. The processional and recessional, "A Charge to Keep I Have," were sung by the eighth and ninth grade chorus. Speeches were made by Ben McClure ("To Do My Father's Will"), Karen Fox ("A Grateful Heart"), Cecily Crowder ("My Calling to Fulfill"), Terri Mitchell ("To Serve the Present Age"), and Lois Tillery ("All My Powers Engage").

Three songs were sung by the class. They were "He Is My Everything," "Count Your Blessings," and "America."

In addition to the students' speeches, talks were made by sixth grade fathers Bob Plunket and Gary Puryear. David Branscome led the closing prayer.

Diplomas were presented by Robert Huffaker, elementary principal.

Following the commencement exercises, a reception was held by the sixth grade mothers in the gym. Finger foods included sandwiches in the shape of diplomas and books, tiny cakes in the shape of graduation hats, and a blue and white cake proclaiming "Congratulations! Sixth Grade 1981."

"I thought the reception was really neat," Leah Osborne said. "The room mothers took a lot of time to get it right, and that was really nice of them."

Room mothers created a backdrop for the students to have their pictures made by Steve Glenn.

"We wanted to let them be as much like the senior high as possible," sixth grade mother Ann Cross explained. "We thought providing pictures would be a nice extra touch."

Electing class officers was another big event for sixth graders. Brother Kendrick's officers included Alan Brooks, president; Denise Huggins, vice-president; Christi Clemmons, secretary; and Scott Reeves, treasurer.

Officers for Brother Taylor's class were Kevin Chandler, president; Lori Delano, vice president; Ruth Hall, secretary; and Lori Howard, treasurer.

"I loved this year," Lisa Quillen said, "But I can't wait to be a seventh grader!"

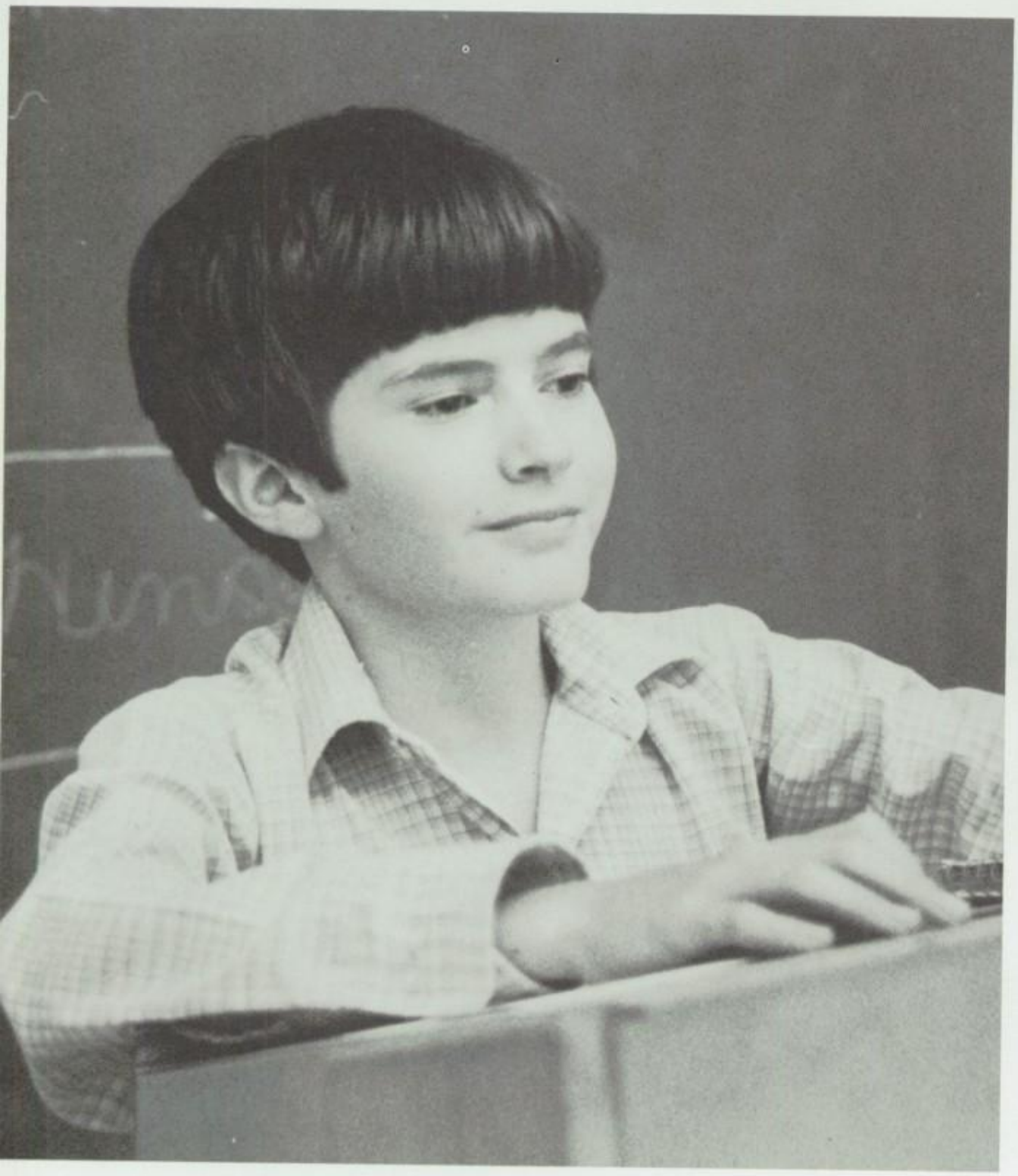
The sixth graders were able to elect Who's Who this year, and they also attended cheerleader tryouts for the first time as they helped to choose the girls who would represent the Junior High teams as cheerleaders during 1981-82.

Sixth grade was truly an important time in the lives of the class of 1987, but they looked forward eagerly to seventh grade and Junior High.

Cheryl Cross added, "Sometimes it seems scary, because instead of being the oldest, we'll be the youngest. But we are all really looking forward to it."

WORKING TOGETHER to make their bulletin board look nice, many of the sixth grade girls spent long hours in the hall.

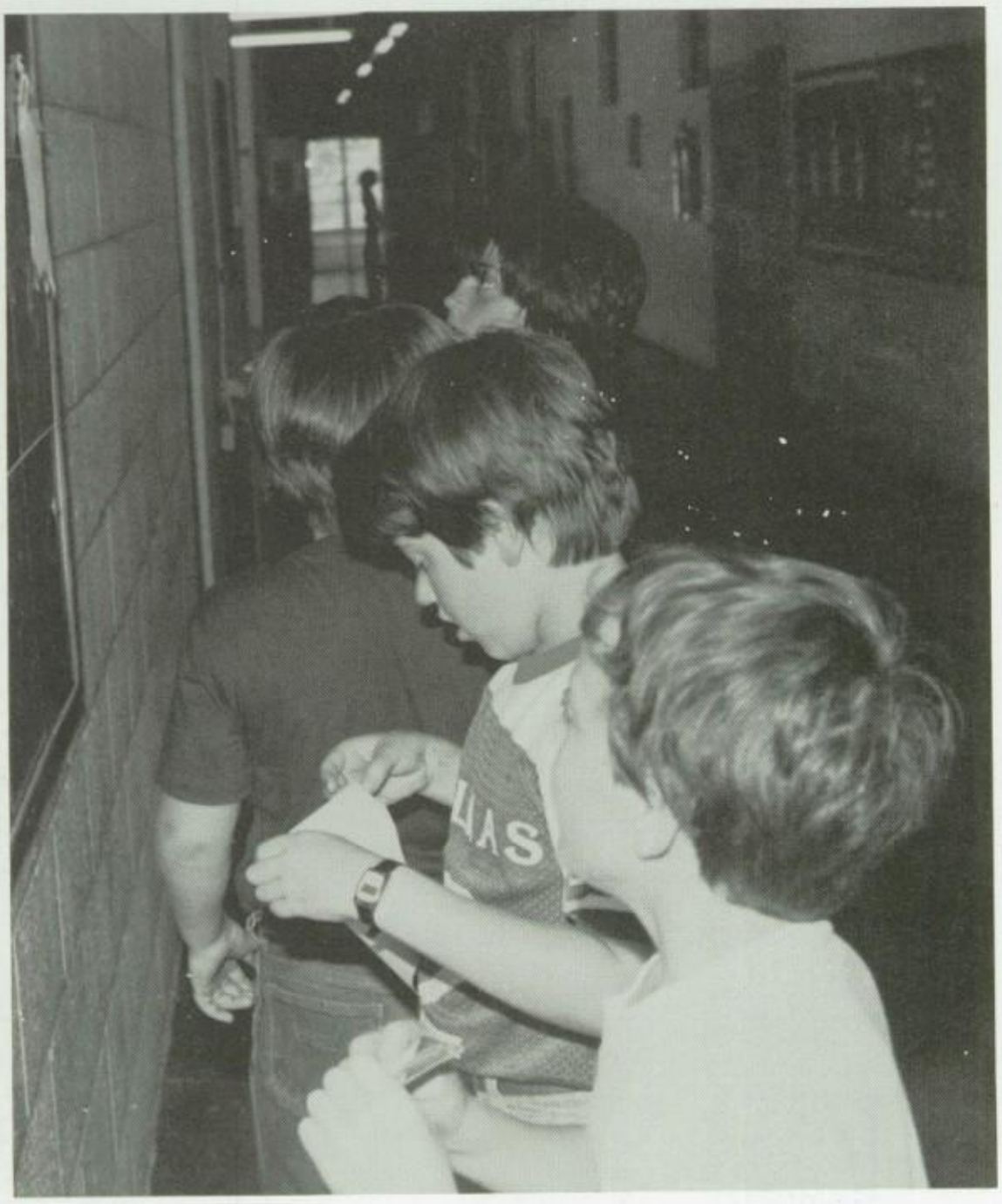
YOU'RE OUT! Jimmy Threet stretched his arm a little farther than normal while tagging Lori Delano.



"THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND . . ." Learning to sing the proper part in music class, the sixth grade put out an extra effort to hit the hard notes.

MAKING SPEECHES isn't hard work for Alan South, it is fun. He showed his talent for writing speeches by winning the 4-H Public Speaking Contest.

BEING PREPARED



*Brownies
*Scouts

Singing, hiking, horseback riding, ghost stories around campfires . . .

These were just a few of the activities the Brownies leader Laura Mann provided her troop that included many opportunities to learn by doing.

"**This year's group was the best** behaved and most creative bunch I've seen. I was glad to be able to help them and be a part of what they strived to do," she commented.

The Cub Scouts were another active group on campus.

"The Scouts did a lot this year. Everyone got involved and worked really hard," commented Gary Gooch, Cub Scout leader. "I was glad to work with all the talented boys this year. I had a good group."

Some of the activities the Cub Scouts participated in included going to the Indian mound and playing baseball and having a picnic at Point Park.

"We had all kinds of fun this year," Calvin Gifford commented. "It was a really good time."

KEEPING THE SCOUT bulletin board up-to-date was a constant job for boys in the elementary scouting program.

(first row) Michelle Skipworth, Amanda Clemmons, Sarah Mann, Angela Eaton, Kristie Golden. (second row) Mizti Cosper, Jenna Morrison, Kristi Johnson, Jodie Baker, Laura Johnson, Vanessa Grigsby. (third row) Amanda Wallace, Vanessa Wilson, Jenny Baker, Marilyn Wear, Karan Killen, Beth Fritts, Heather Jenkins, Janet Johnson.

(first row) Kenny Whitworth, Randall Rox, Loyd Johnson, Les Johnson, Jeff Heathcock, Jeff Waddell. (second row) Russell Lambert, Randy Branscome, Chad Holley, Bill Peck, Jeff O'Kelly, David Zhand, Richie Brackin. (third row) Robin Bridges, Brent Gooch, Brant Llewellyn, Greg Letson, Marshall Humphries, Calvin Gifford, Ethan Wright, Lee Parker.

*Boys 4-H Club
*Girls 4-H Club

"I pledge my head to cleaner thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my health to better living for my club, my community and mankind."

This pledge was etched on the memory of each boy who was a 4-H member this year. Kevin Chandler said, "I did my best to practice this pledge."

The Boy's 4-H Club had a big part in 4-H this year. They held several events during the school year. They took part in the Public Speaking Contest, the 4-H Plant and Soil Science Exhibit, the Citizenship Poster Contest, and the Dog Show.

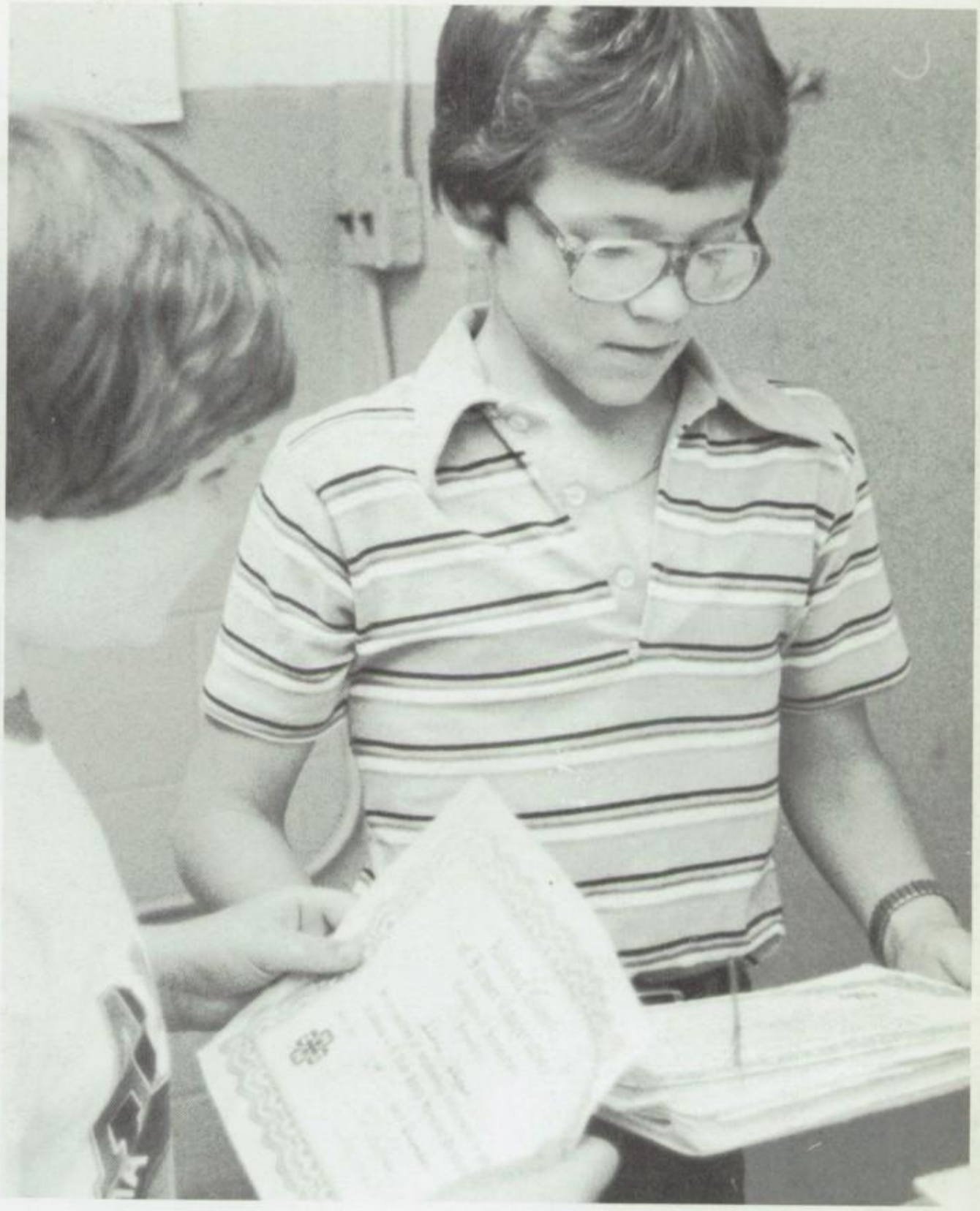
Serving as leader of the Boy's 4-H Club this year was Richard Taylor. The official officers in 1980-1981 were Kevin Chandler, serving as President, Bradley Weber, serving as Secretary, Charles Corfman, serving as reporter, and Ben McClure and Scott Reeves, serving as song leaders.

These young men do their best to benefit the school and its members.

Busy, busy, busy ... the girls who participated in the 4-H Club this year had more than enough to do all year long. During the first semester many of the 4-Hers took part in the Speaking Contest, Baking Contest and Talent Show.

Serving as leader of the Girl's 4-H Club this year was Dorothy Behel. The official officers in 1980-1981 were Susan Williamson, serving as President, Kristi Clemmons, serving as Vice President, Leslie Jaynes, serving as Secretary, Trina Alexander, serving as reporter, and Kristi Rivers, Candice Garner and Jenny Cochran, serving as song leaders.

"Although the 4-Hers were busy during the first half of the year, they really put out extra effort during the second semester," their sponsors said.



WORKING DILIGENTLY, Kevin Chandler and Mark Killen prepare certificates for 4-H Club members.

(first row) Les Johnson, Randall Fox, Joey Hall, Chris Quillen, Andy Mann, Heath Holland, Tommy Broadfoot, David Hale. (second row) Randy Branscome, Kevin Foust, Alan South, Brian Jasper, Grant Hovater, Kenny Givens, Tommy Young, Joel Morrison. (third row) Kevin Hamm, Bradley Gooch, Phil Bergman, Patrick Clark, Shawn Puryear, Kelly Young, Tim Clark, Jeff Clark, Jay Behel. (fourth row) Mark Sherrill, John South, Ben McClure, Christian Plunket, Bradley Weber, Brian Branscome, Matt Wright. (fifth row) Jimmy Threet, Shawn Hamm, Lee Beddingfield, Chris Wright, Jim Henson, Kevin Chandler, Charles Corfman, Mr. Taylor.

(first row) Kaycee Behel, Charity Lindsey, Lisa Tays, Dana Young, Susan Easley, Gina Hall, Allison Martin, Fayette Berry, Anna Rutland, Natalie Hester, Jennifer Blackwell, Jennifer Swinea, Amy Jaynes. (second row) Monica Corfman, Cheryl Cross, Kristi Graham, Terri Mitchell, Rebecca Balentine, Kim Wilson, Stacie Clemmons, Leslie Jaynes, Retha Weems, Heather Haygood, Becky Cochran. (third row) Dorothy Behel, Leigh Ann Wilson, Rebecca Berry, Mona Alexander, Sabrina Staggs, Tina Terrell, Monica Nichols, Candice Garner, Kathy Grigsby, Lori Delano, Denise Huggins. (fourth row) Mitzi Davis, Tonya Cobb, Tamesha Rutherford, Amy Newton, Tammy Crittenden, Lea Osborn, Andrea Kimbrough, Leah Campbell. (fifth row) Lois Tillery, Sonya Bogus, Kristie Rivers, Suzanne Thorne, Cecily Crowder, Leigh Ann Wilson, Karron Davis, Molly Jones, Geri Askew, Trina Alexander, Kim Nobles, Bonnie Montgomery, Sarah Durdungi, Tammy Clement, Mareena Eaton, Kristi English, Ginger Smith, Lori Ann Howard, Jill Young.

BUCKS — (first row) Jason Quillen, Brant Llewellyn. (second row) Shannon McMurtrey, Billy Thompson, Coach Carrol Quillen, Shannon Heupel, Jeff Heathcock.

BUCKS CHEERLEADERS — (first row) Heather Jenkins, Sarah Mann, Merrellyn Wear, Beth Fritts, Amanda Wallace.

ROCKETS — (first row) Coach Steve Letson, Greg Letson, Tommy Patterson, Brent Gooch. (second row) John Dale Azbell, Daryl Richardson, Richie Brackin.

ROCKETS CHEERLEADERS — (first row) Jennifer Swinea, Amy Jaynes. (second row) Kim Wilson, Robin McDonald, Rebecca Berry, Tina Behel, Natalie Hester.

76 'ERS- (First row) Coach Lanny Wright, Todd Foust, Tommy Broadfoot, Anthony Files, Bryan Barker, Kevin Foust, Kenneth Whitten, coach Ed Foust; (Second row) Delane Angel, Bradley Gooch, Matt Wright, Patrick Clark.

76'ERS CHEERLEADERS — (first row) Felicia Godsey. (second row) Retha Weems, Kim Bevis, Jamie Hensley; (Third row) Trina Alexander, Leigh Ann Wilson, Kristi Rivers, Suzanne Thorne; (Fourth row) Emily Coats.

BULLETS — (first row) Bill Peck, Jamie Griffith. (second row) John Kimbrough, Tracy White, Jeff O'Kelly, Marshall Lee Humphries.

BULLETS CHEERLEADERS — (first row) Mona Alexander, Regina Cooper. (second row) Monica Corfman, Monica Nichols. (third row) Tracy Burnette, Dayna Young, Stacie Clemmons.

SONICS — (first row) Patrick Swinea, Jeff Cochran, Jeff Clark, Mark Killen, Shawn Puryear. (second row) Coach Gary Puryear, Brian Branscom, Shawn Hamm, Tim Clark, Chris Craft, John South, Coach Charles Clark.

SONICS CHEERLEADERS — (first row) Gina Hall. (second row) Lori Delano, Lois Tillery, Karron Davis. (third row) Candice Garner, Ruth Hall, Lori Ann Howard, Terri Mitchell. (fourth row) Kathy Grigsby.

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Kirchner
1980-1981
Kindergarten

Jan
Weatherly
1980-1981
First Grade

Judy
Faulkner
1975-1981
Kindergarten

Martha
Harrison
1974-1981
Kindergarten

Eva
Jordan
1974-1981
First Grade

Linda
Lumpkins
1978-1981
First Grade

Clara Jo
Burgess
1966-1981
Second Grade

Glenda
Ezell
1975-1981
Second Grade

Norma
Hazelbaker
1969-1981
Third Grade

Janice
England
1975-1981
Third Grade

Thelma
Fair
1968-1981
Fourth Grade

Louise
Woodfin
1971-1981
Fourth Grade

Jan
Lansdell
1975-1981
Fifth Grade

Susan
Hunnicutt
1979-1981
Fifth Grade

Kathleen
White
1974-1981
Fifth Grade

Ronald
Kendrick
1955-1981
Sixth Grade

Richard
Taylor
1949-1981
Sixth Grade

Shirley
Mills
1966-1981
Secretary

**Chloe
Plunket
1963-1981
Kindergarten
Aide**

Jewell
Kendrick
1955-1981
Music

Rayford
Henry
1947-1981
Art

Cheryl
Medley
1980
Physical
Education

Dorothy
Behel
1953-1981
Librarian

Mary Nell
Kimbrough
1979-1981
Library Aide

Claudine
Puryear
1981
Physical
Education

Martha
Smith
1980-1981
Office Aide

"It takes a lot to keep a school running!"

Elementary principal Robert Huffaker worked almost around the clock to keep the elementary on track.

Not only did Huffaker serve as principal, but he also served as the official school representative to the Friends-Teachers Association.

Odd jobs were another important part of Huffaker's daily duties. He was a "knight in shining armor" to students and teachers who were in distress. For instance, he rescued people who got locked in or out of their classrooms, and he often was called on to unstop commodes in the bathrooms.

Elementary students looked forward to daily chapel under Brother Huffaker's guidance. Once a week, Huffaker crossed the river to guide Colbert County students in their daily devotionals.

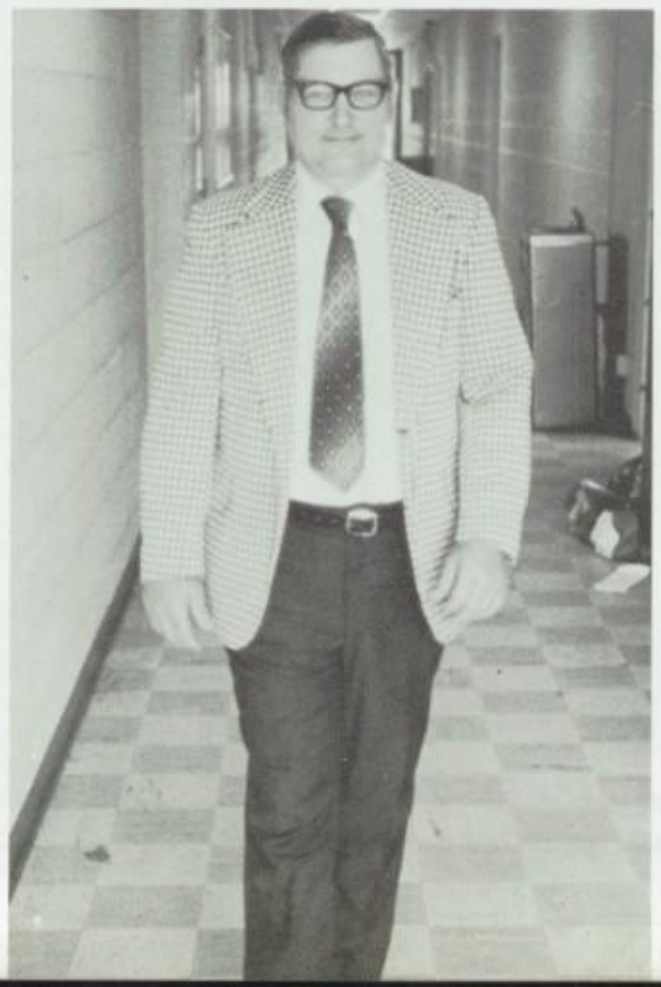
The fleet of buses often required Huffaker's attention as he was responsible for keeping the bus routes flowing smoothly.

Students who attended ballgames were familiar with the sight of him sitting behind the clock. With his eyes riveted on the court action, Huffaker kept up with the constantly changing score. He traditionally kept the score at basketball games.

Brother Huffaker has been a part of the school for as long as most students can remember.

Even some faculty members remember sitting in his classes. Kenny Barfield, for example, recalls the trips during his high school years when Huffaker was debate coach. "He really hasn't changed that much," Barfield said. "He was interested in us as students then and he's interested in his students now. I always remember him as a consistent disciplinarian. He was, and is, fair in handing out rewards and punishments."

In addition to his other duties Huffaker also spent time in the high school teaching one section of senior Bible. Included in his class was his youngest son, Scott. "I have to admit he's a pretty good teacher," Scott said. "But it's harder to sleep in your dad's class."



CATCHING UP on paperwork, Robert Huffaker keeps the elementary school operating.

"PATROLLING THE HALLS," Robert Huffaker makes his daily rounds in the high school building.

Everything you always wanted to know about business

*The average student consumes 312 hamburgers a year.
*Students here bought nearly 7500 records and tapes during the year.
*A gallon of gas costing $1.39.9 now, cost 29.9¢ a decade ago.
*An average student, driving a car, spends $15. a week for gasoline.
*Cokes cost 15¢ a decade ago and 40¢ now.

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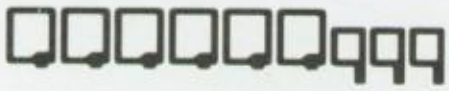

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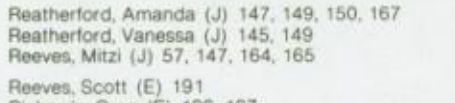

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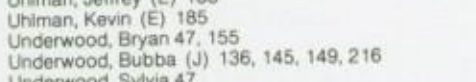

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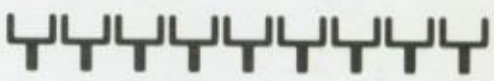

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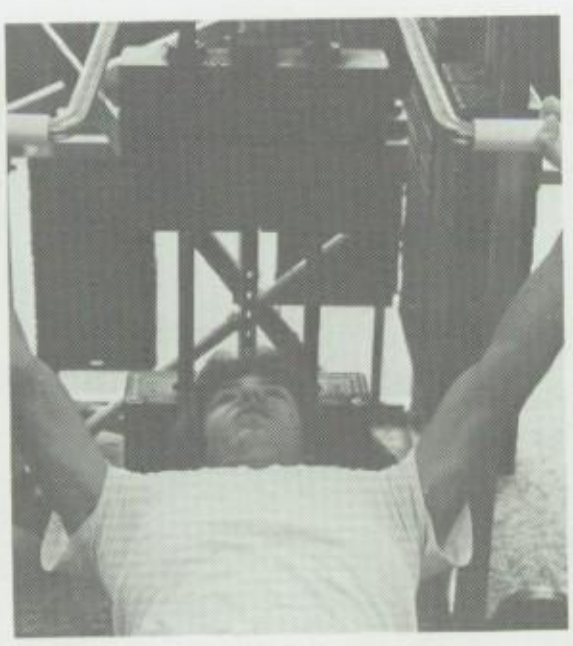

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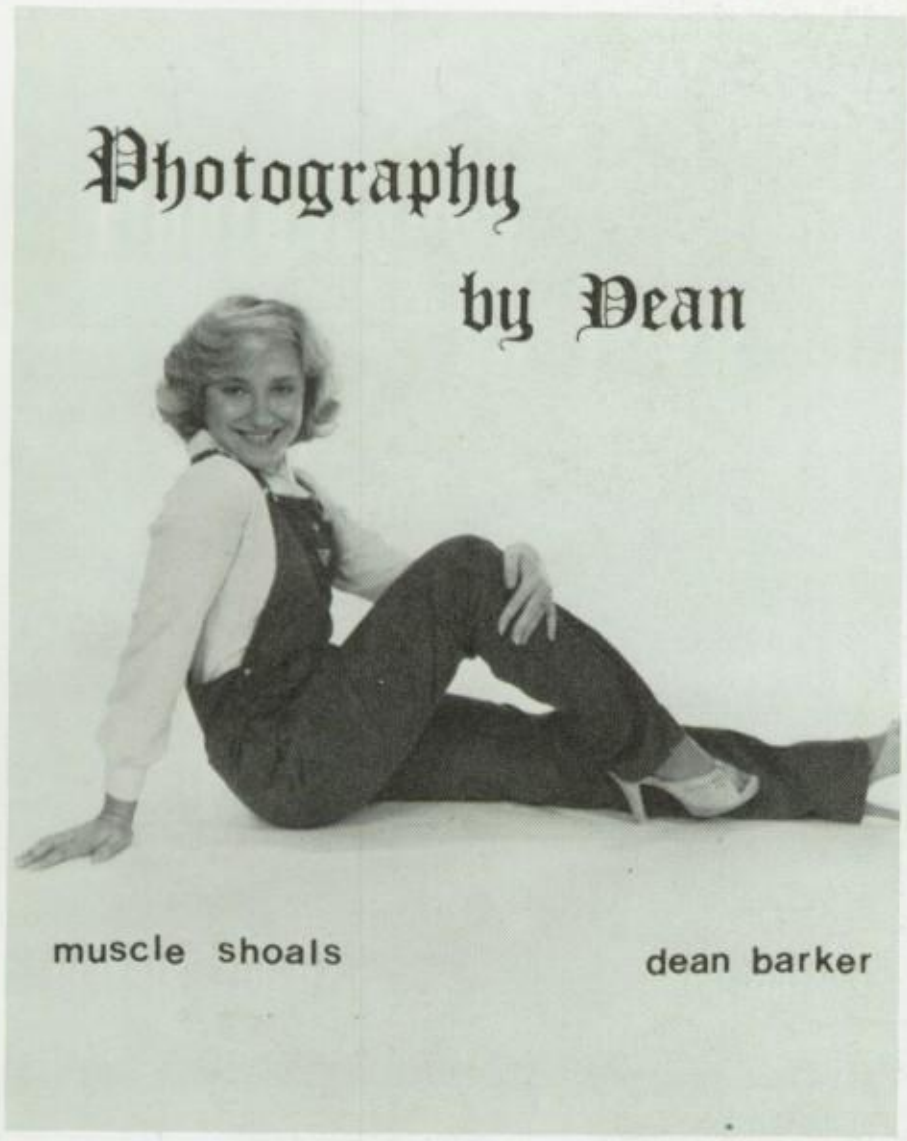

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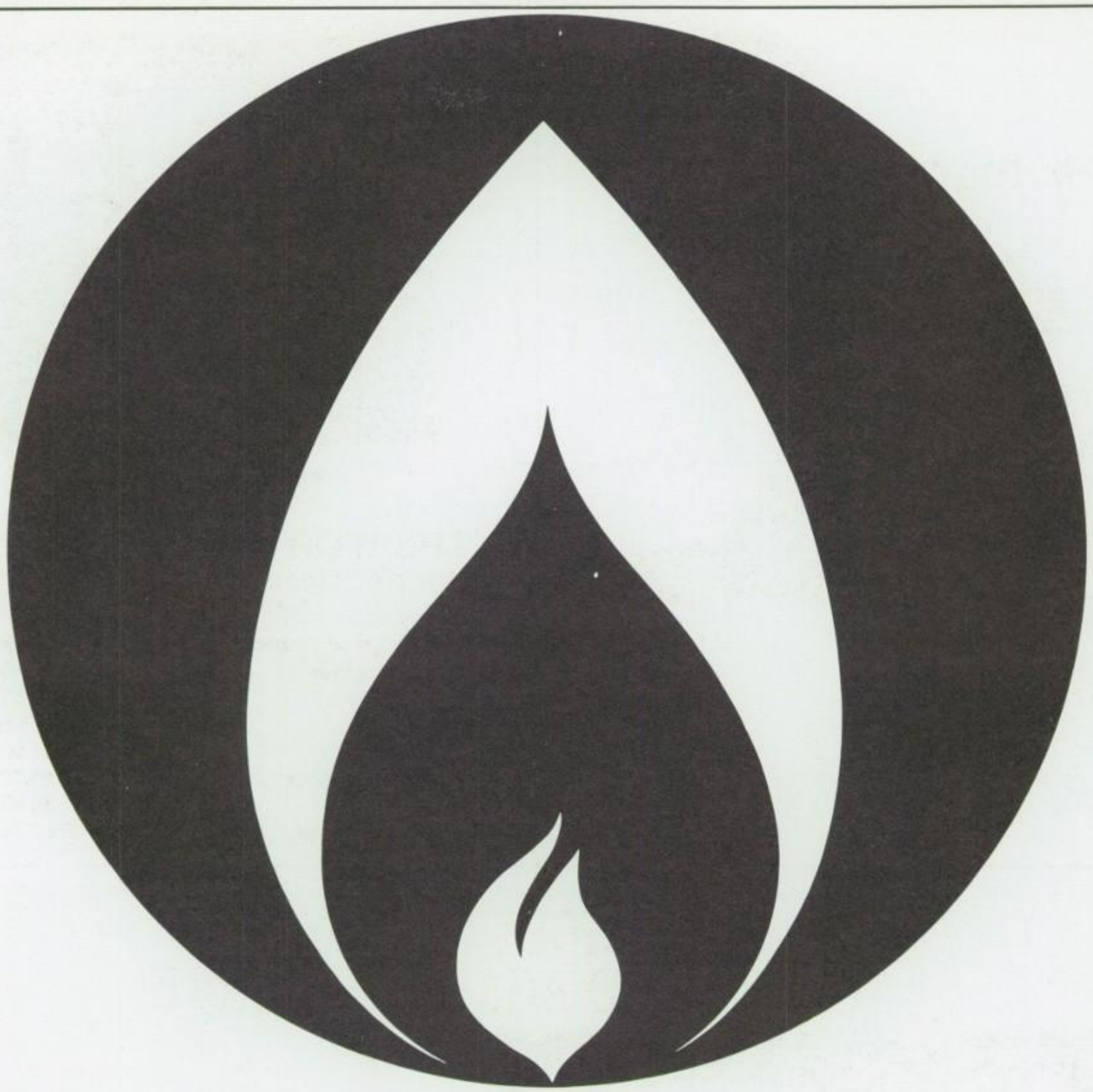

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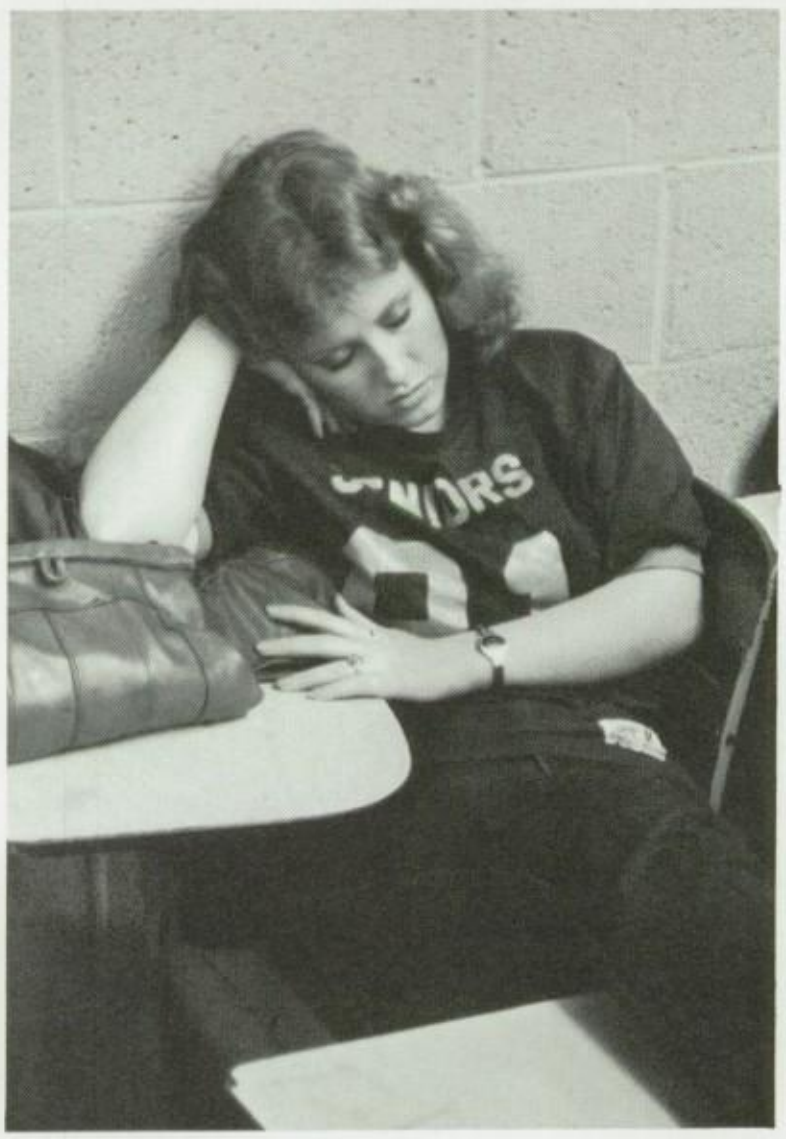

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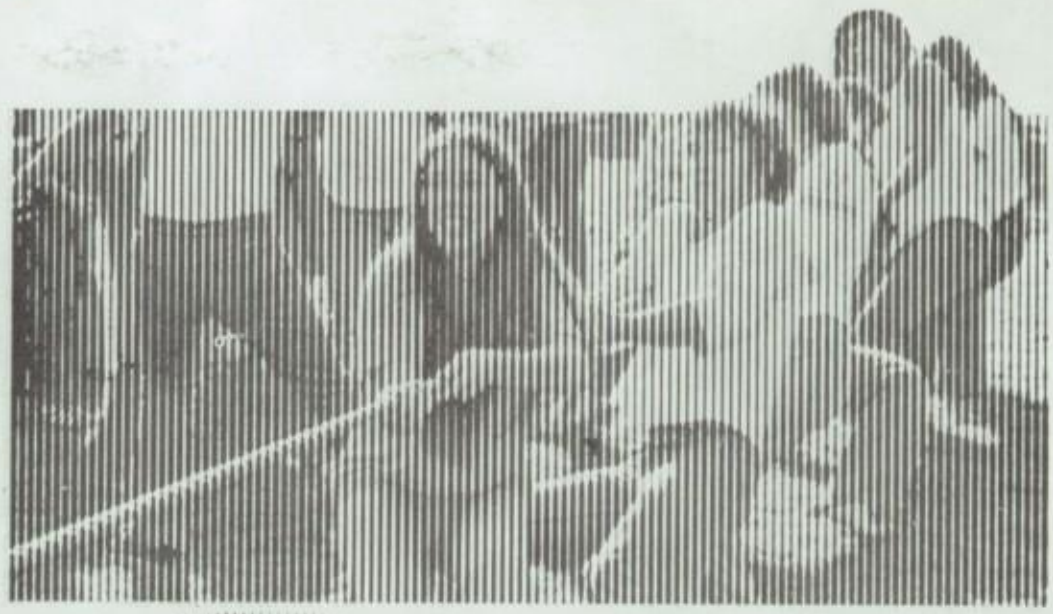

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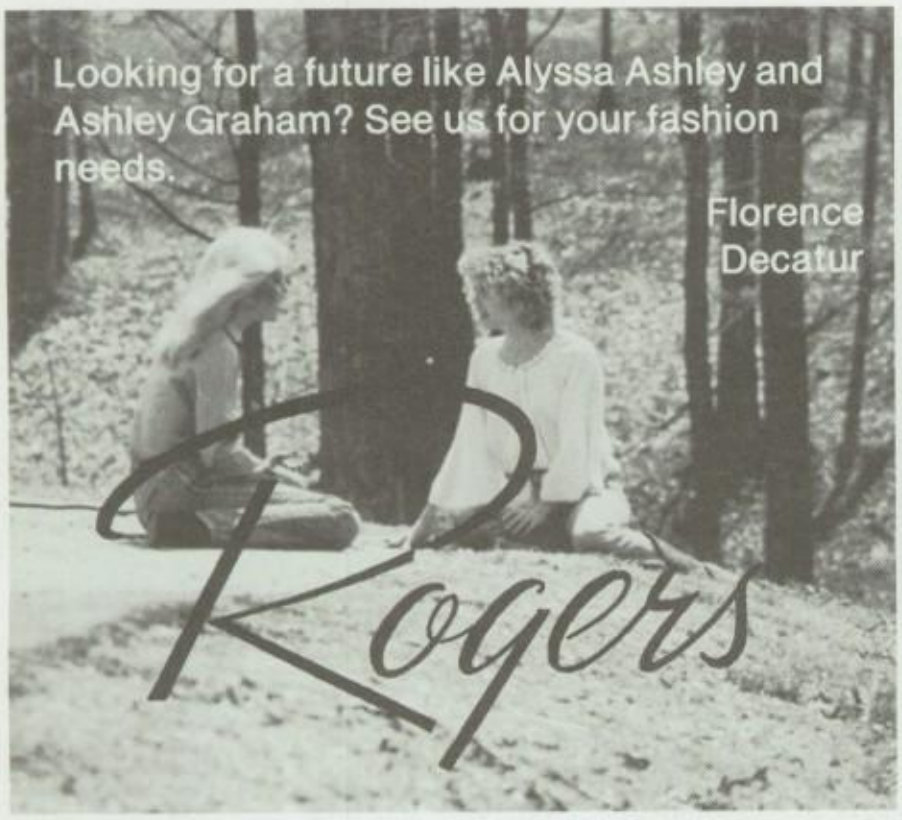

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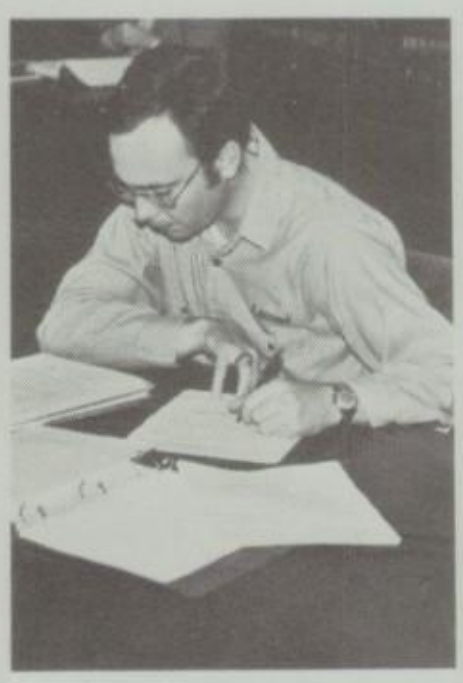

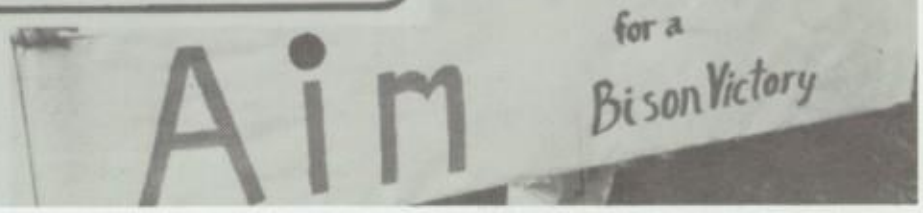

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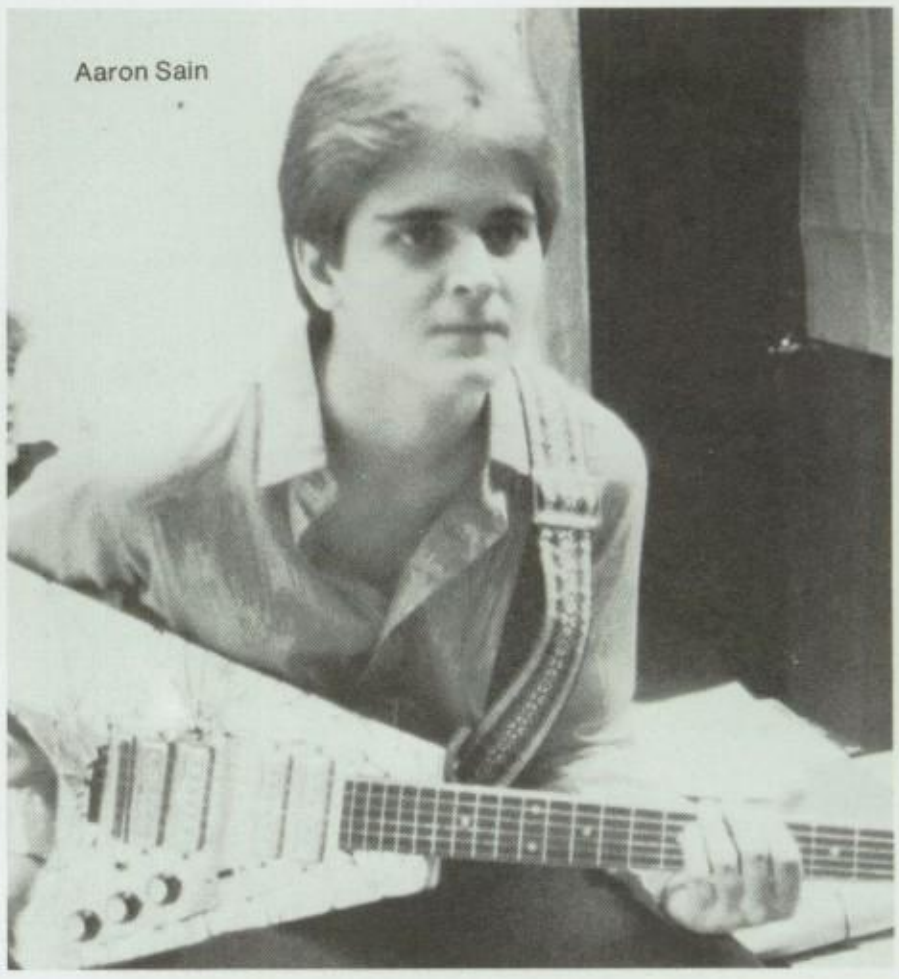

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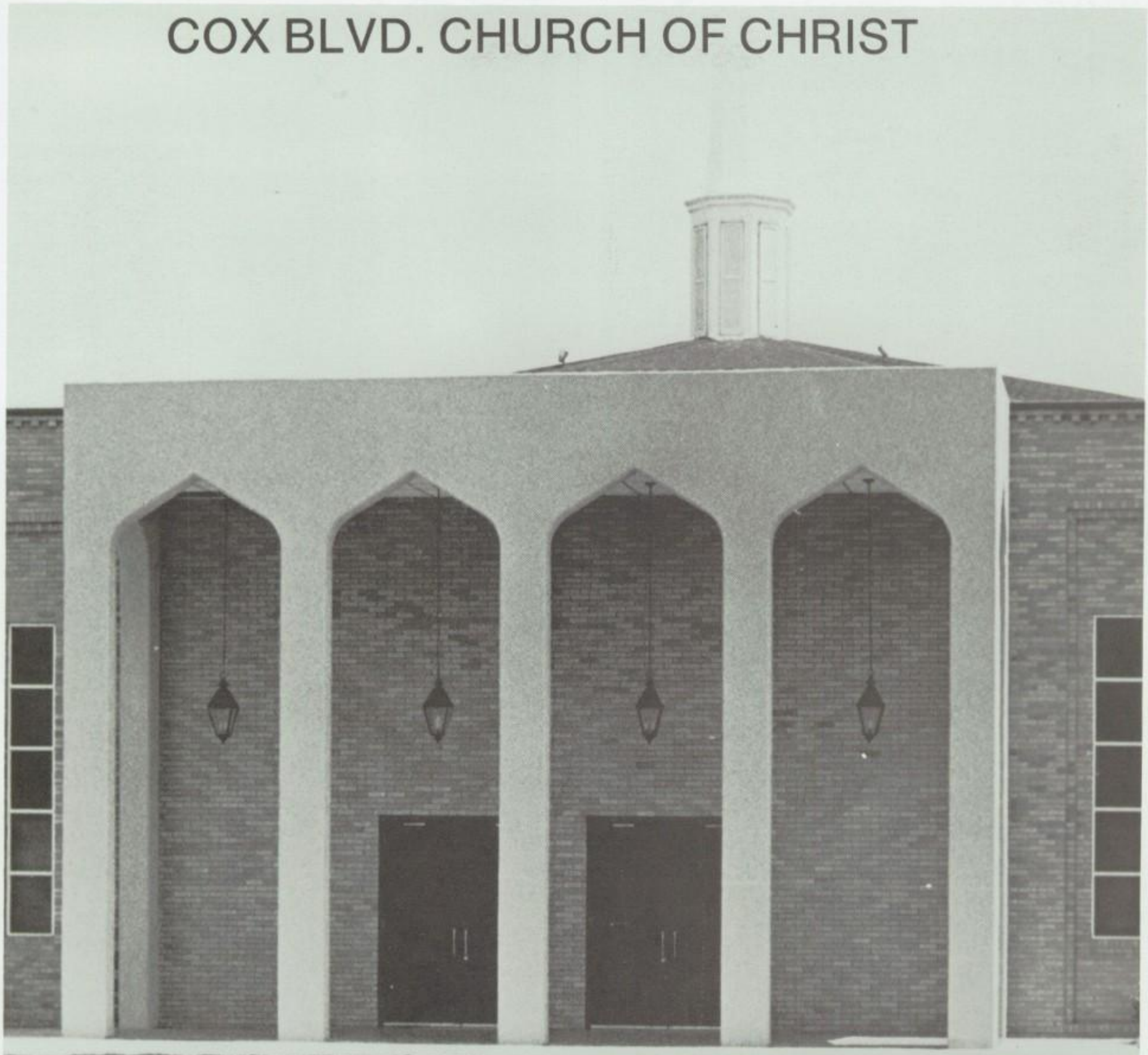

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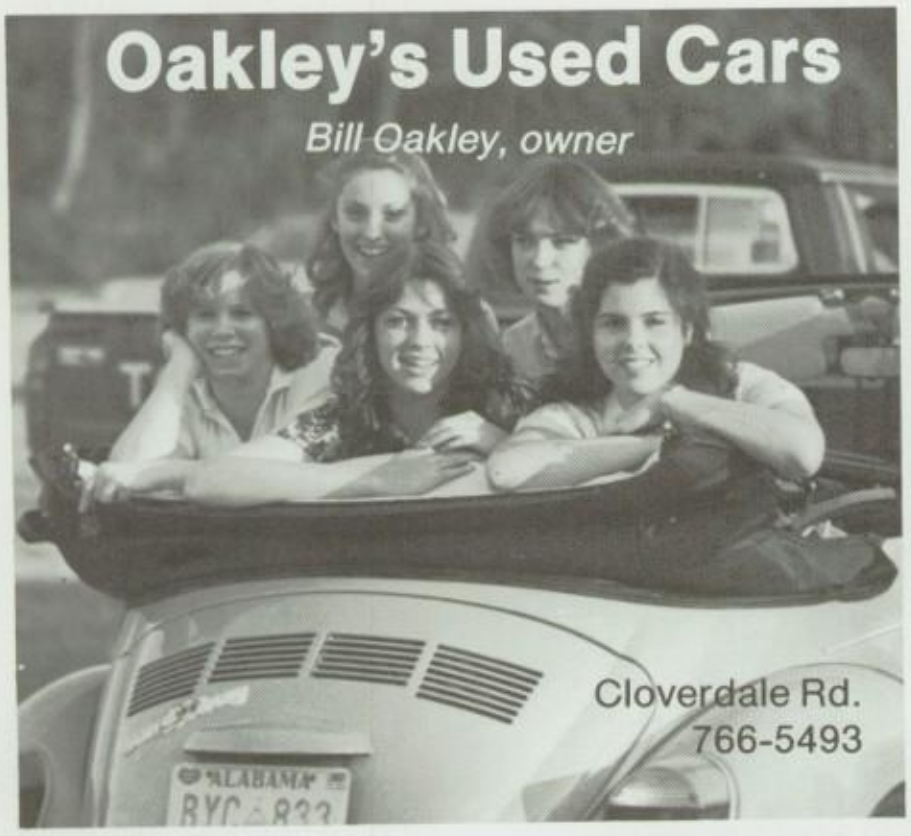

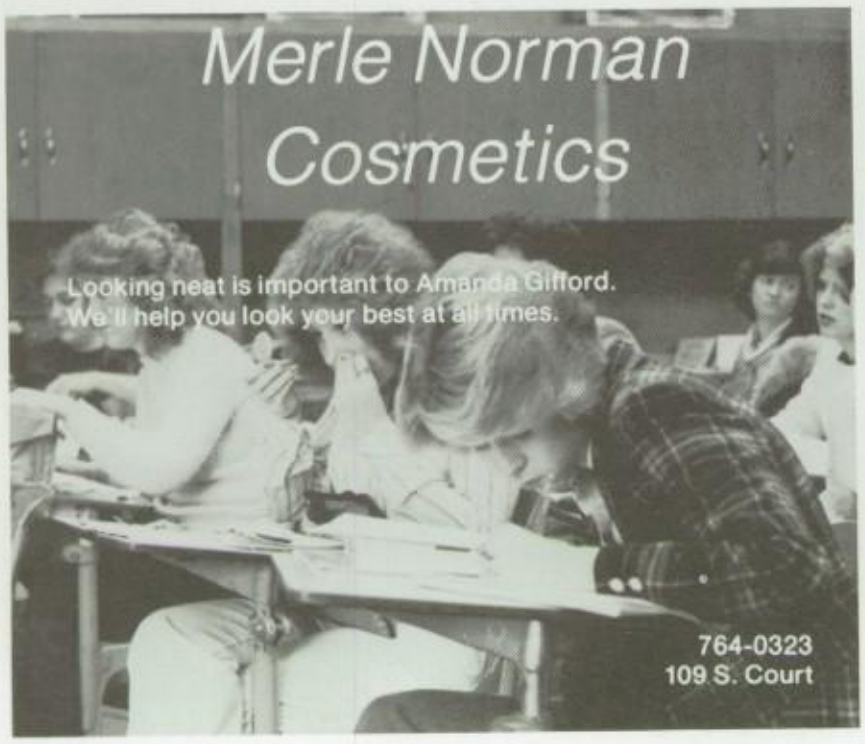

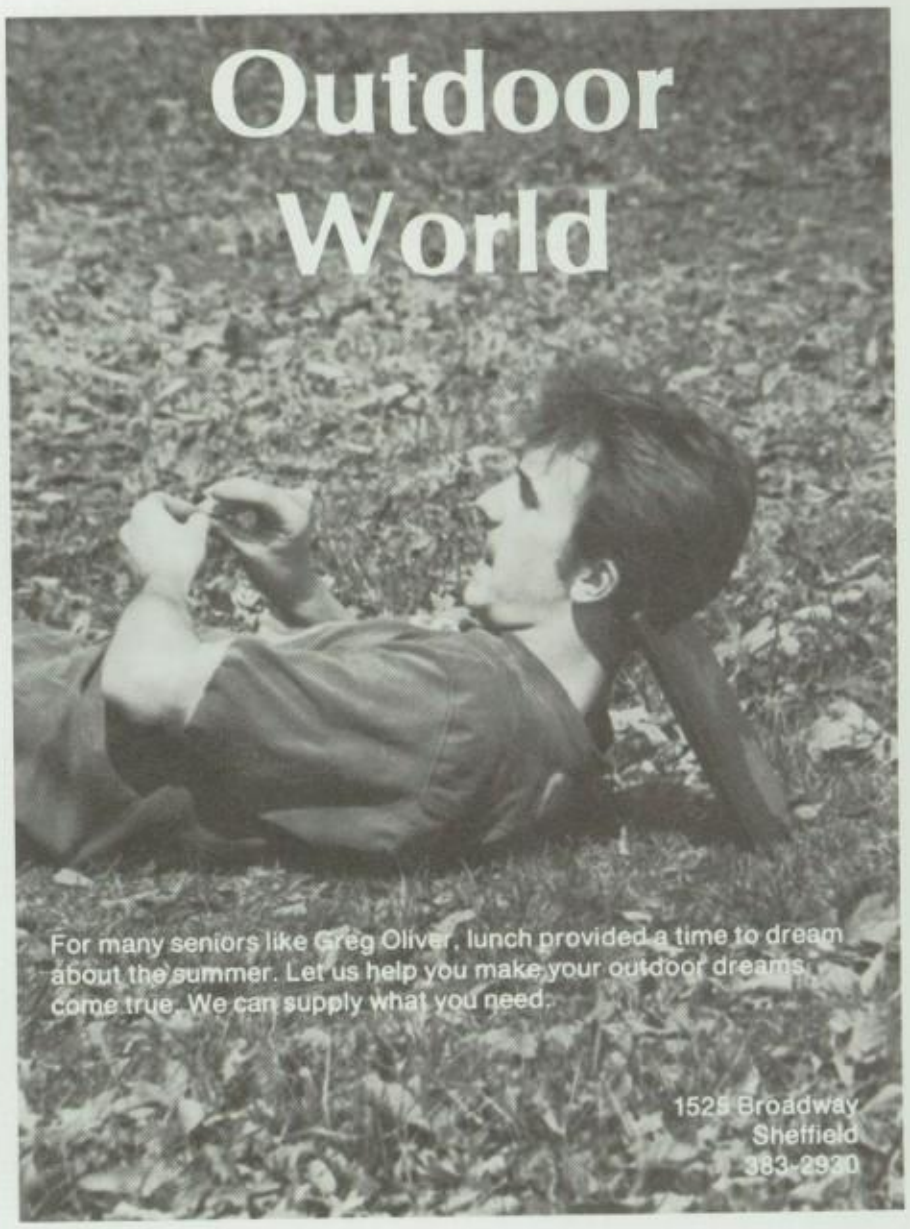
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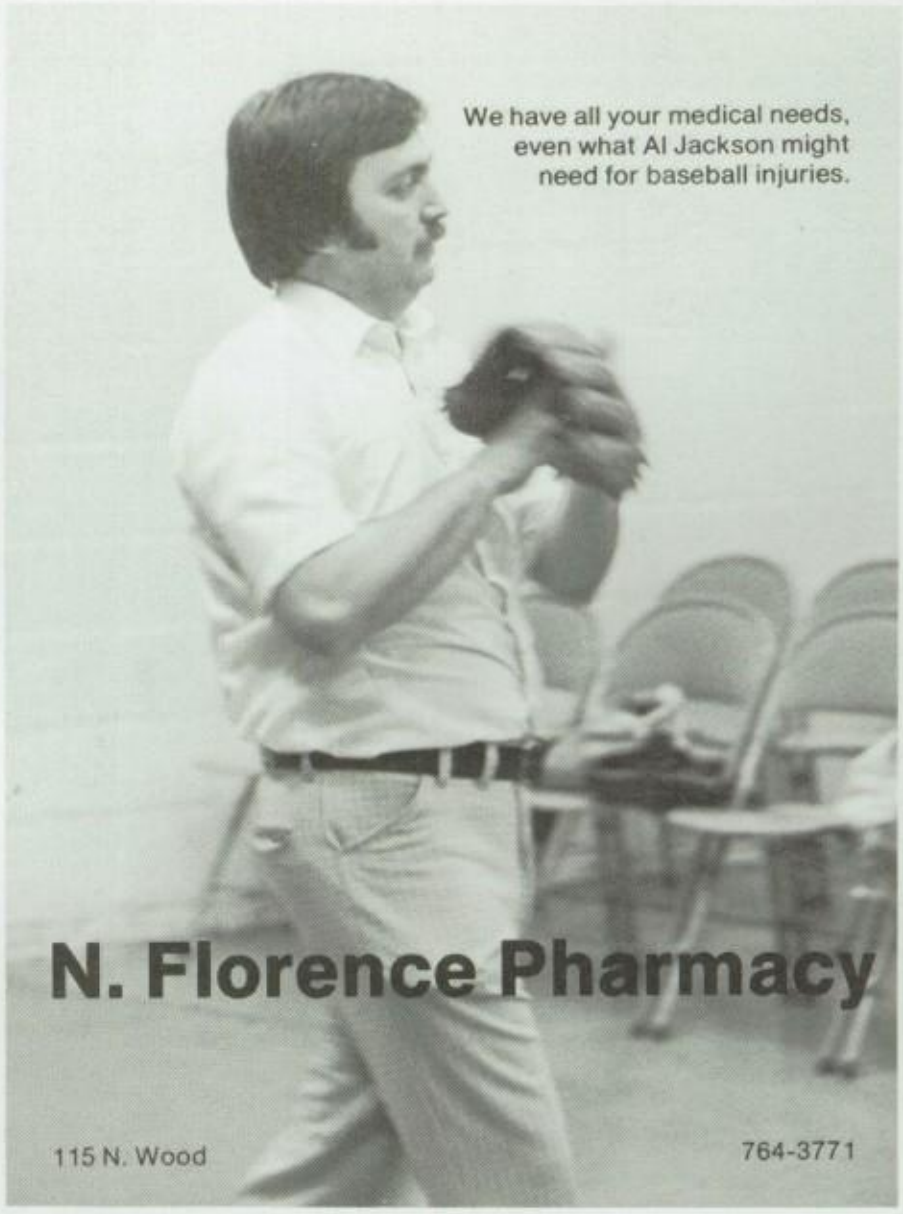
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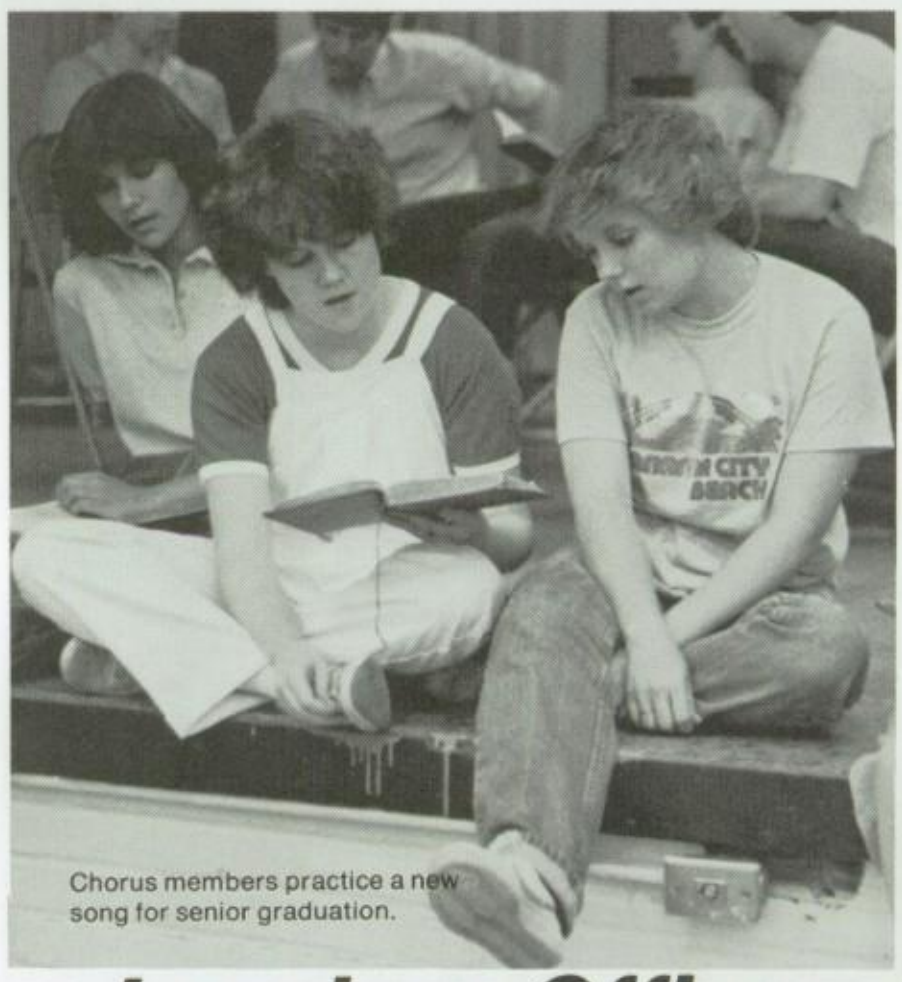

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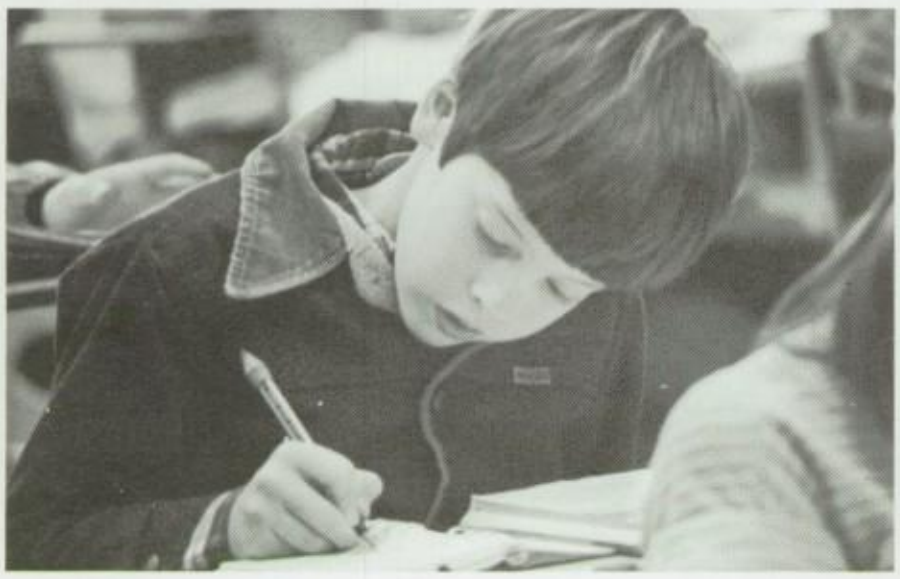

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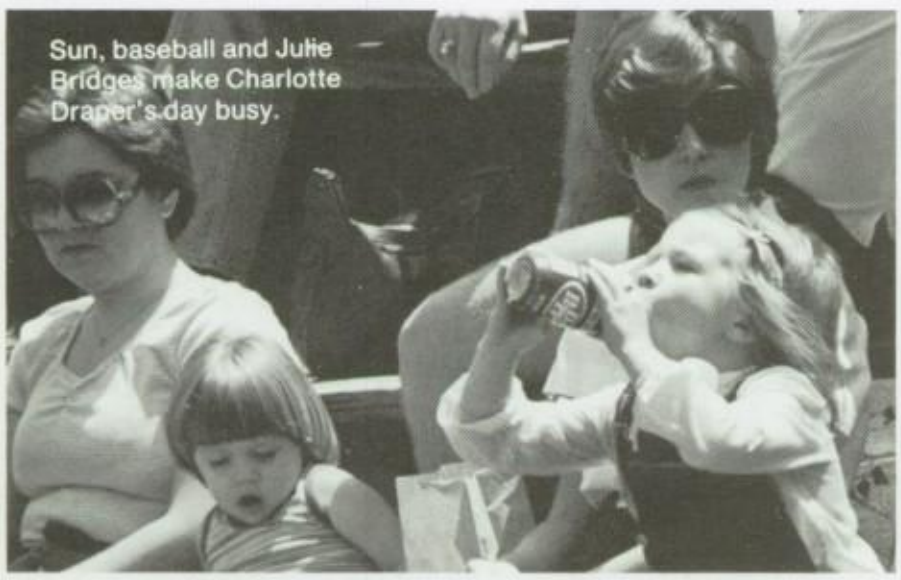

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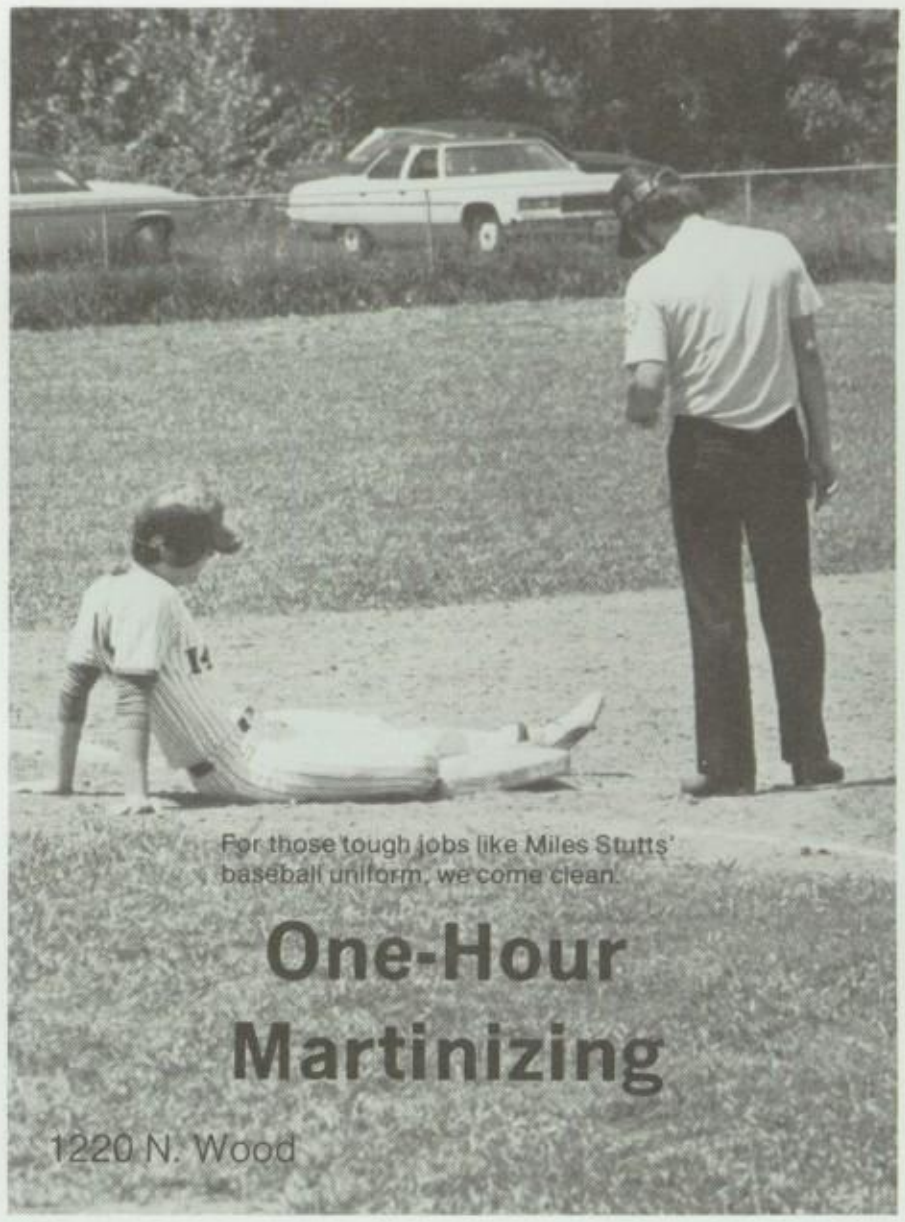

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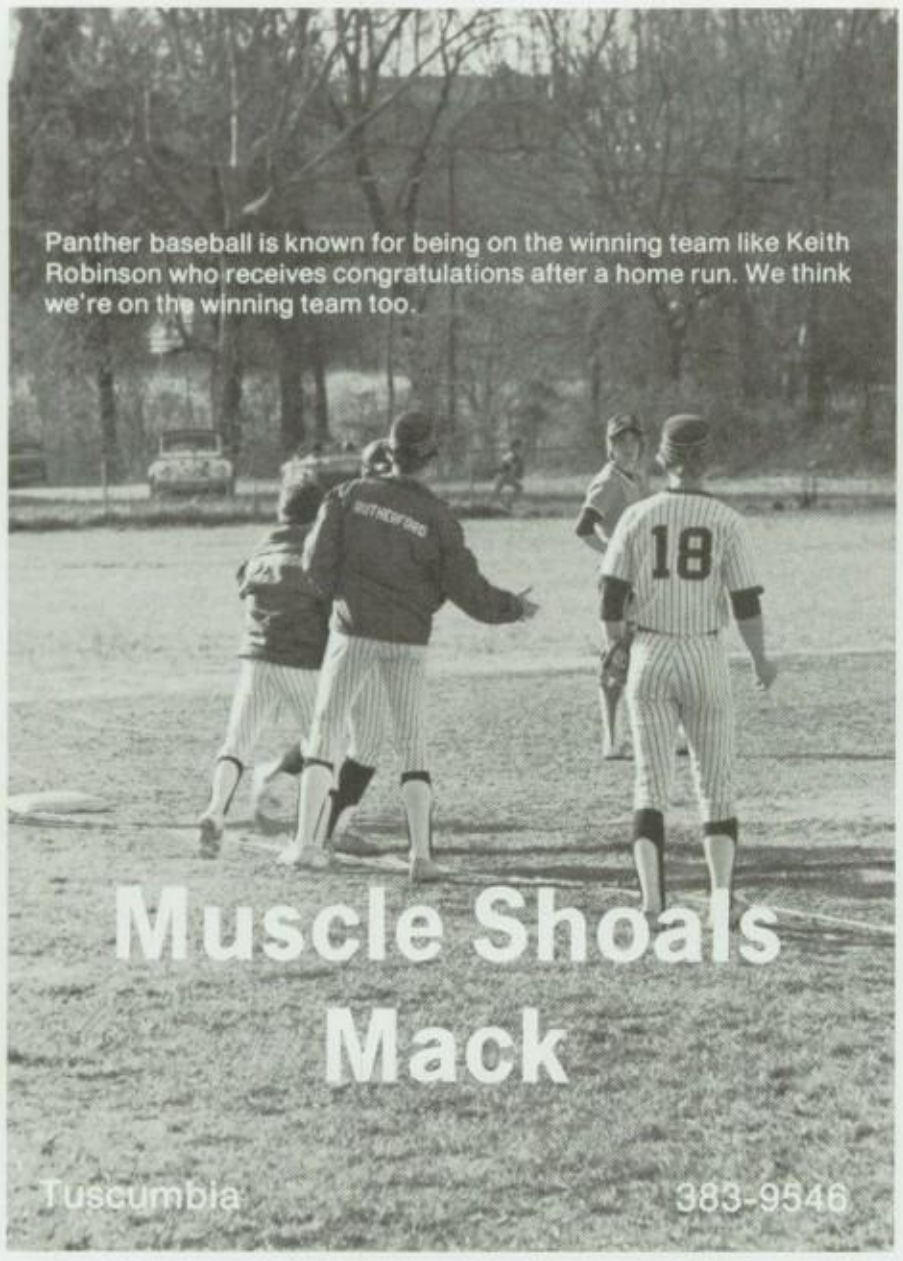
HEY, THIS IS FUN! Girls from the Class of '84 practice aerobics in gym.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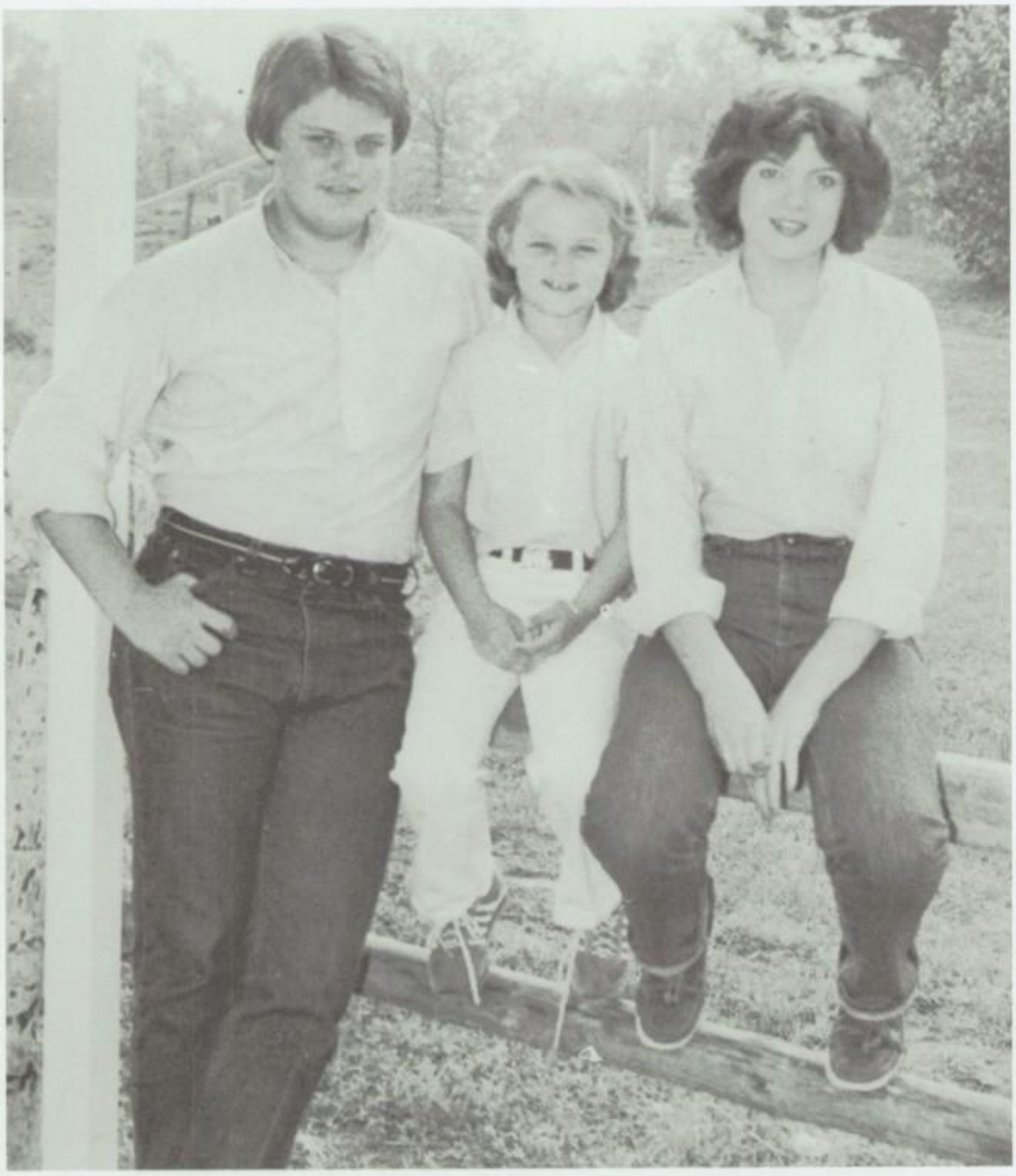

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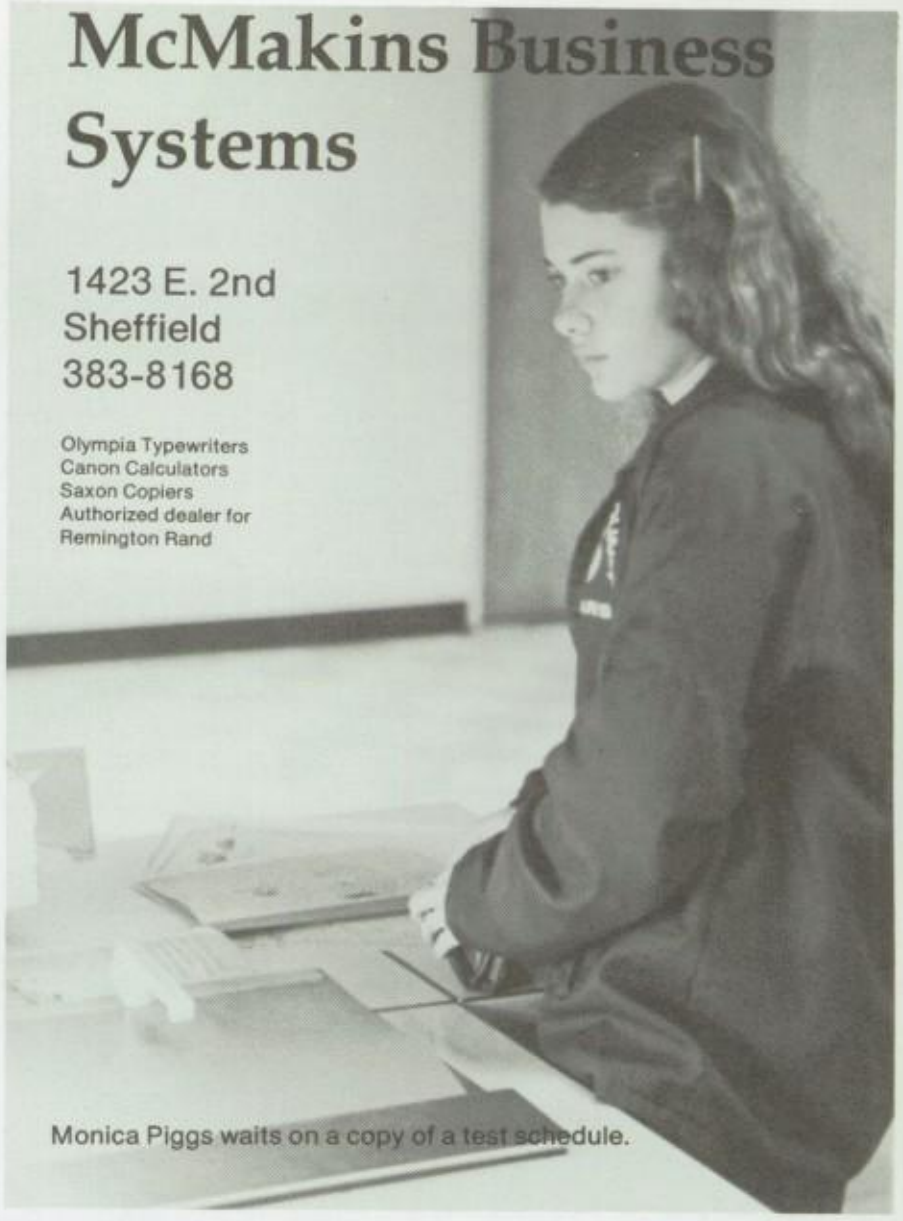

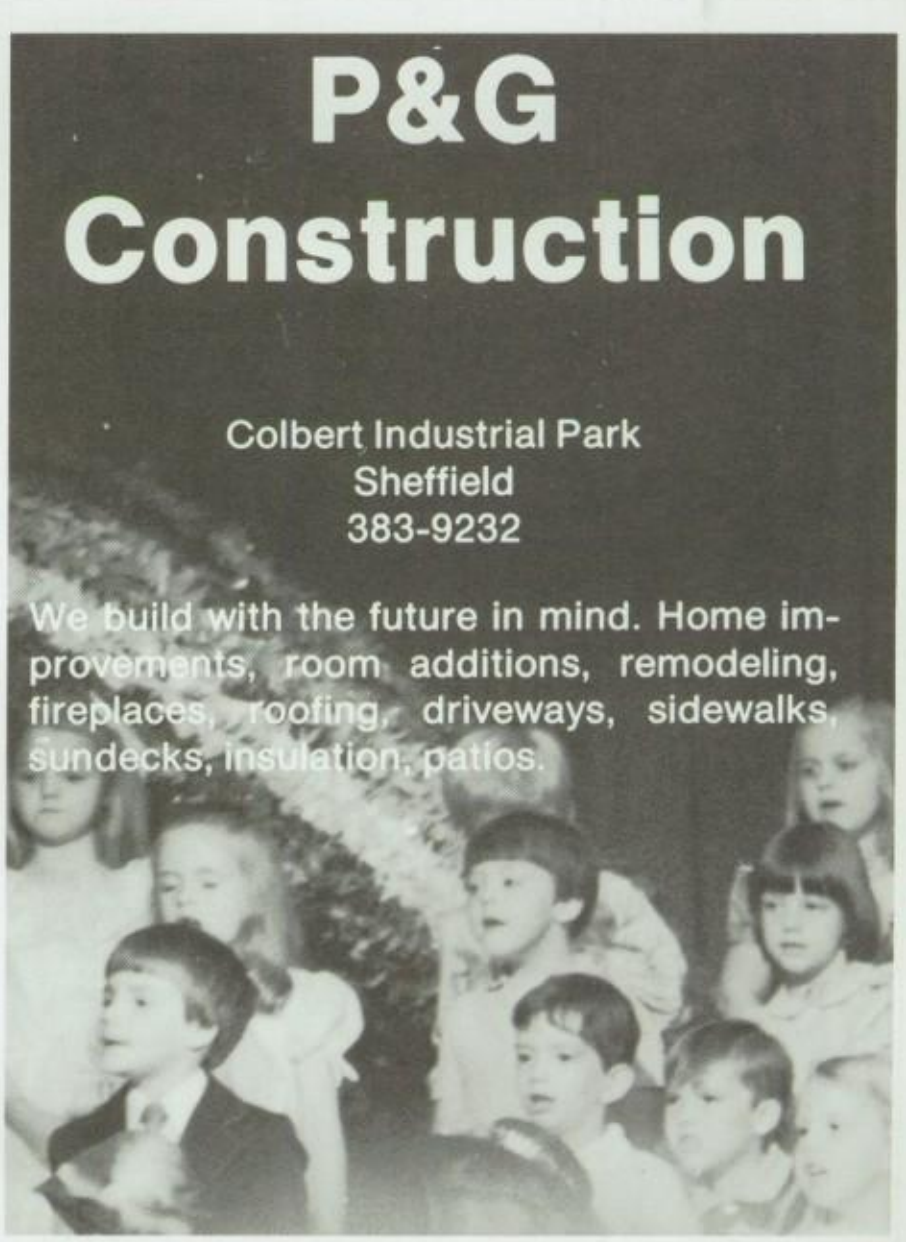
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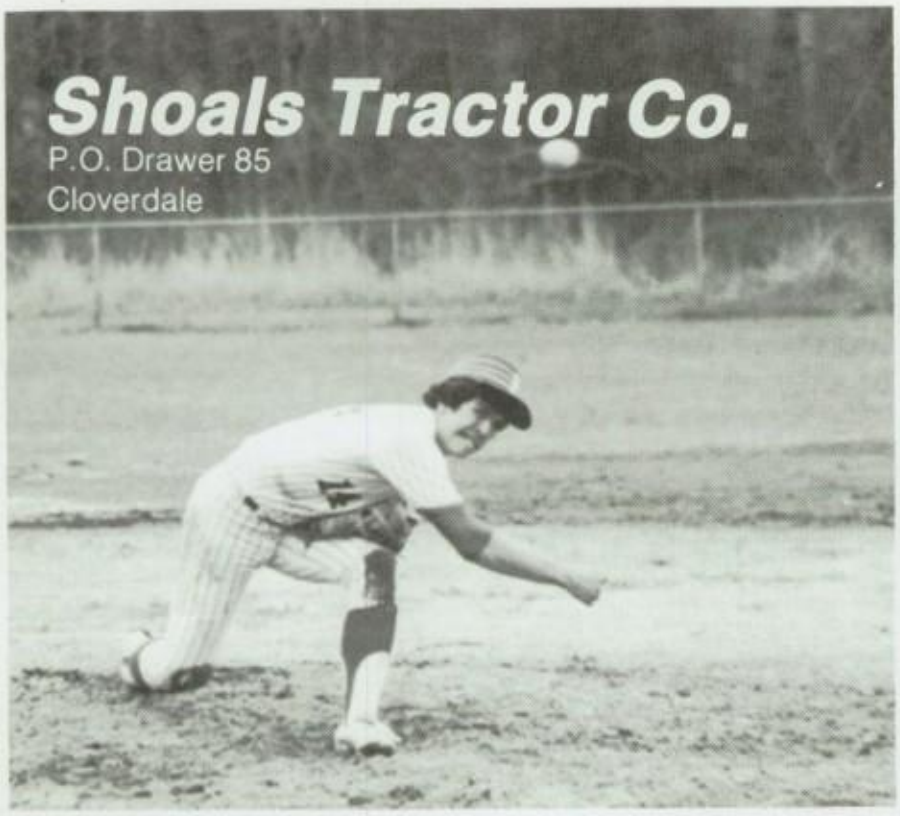

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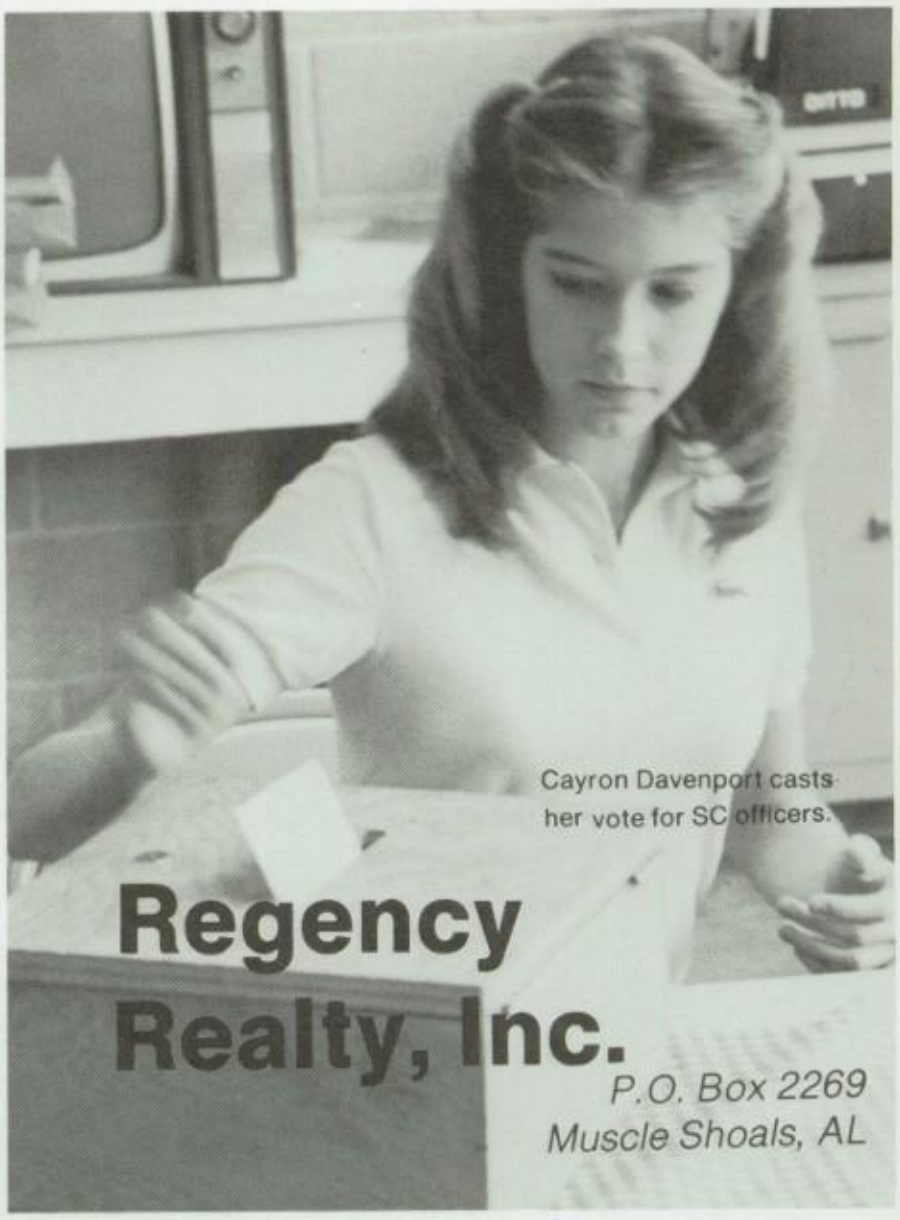

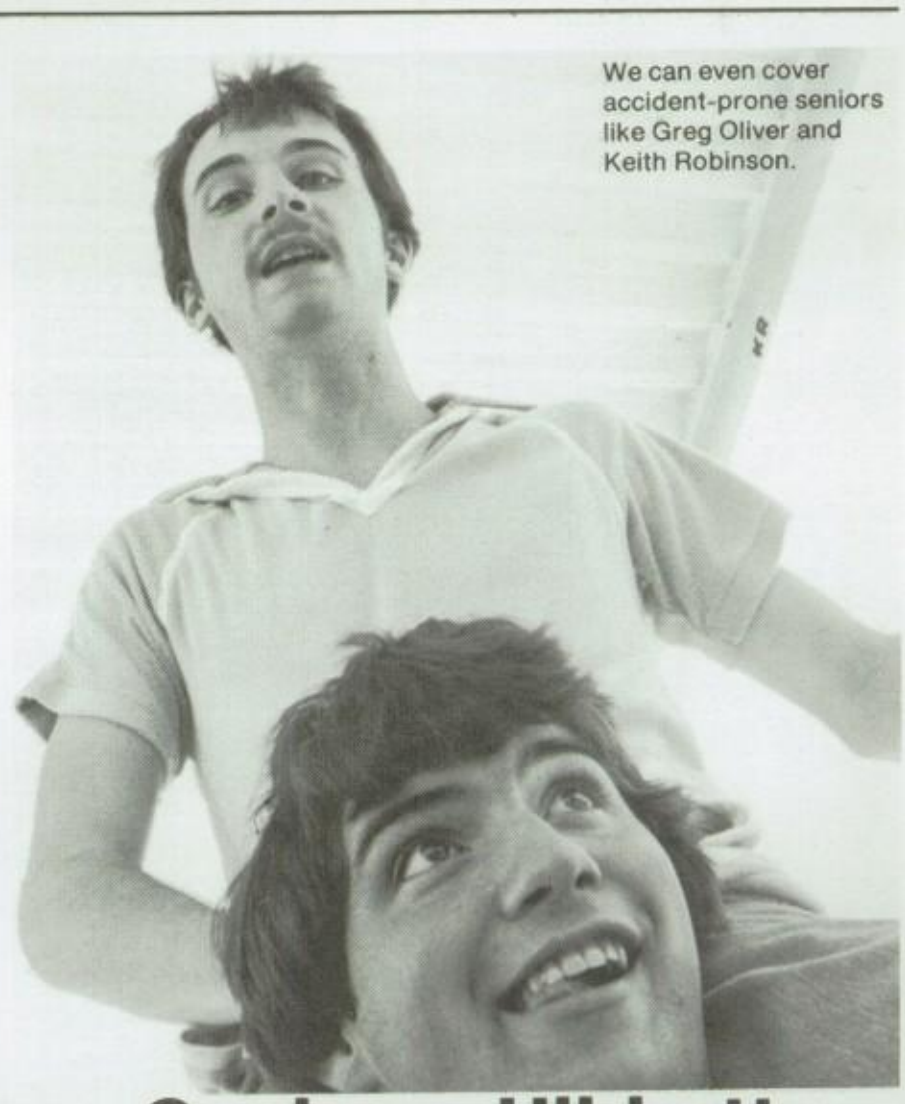
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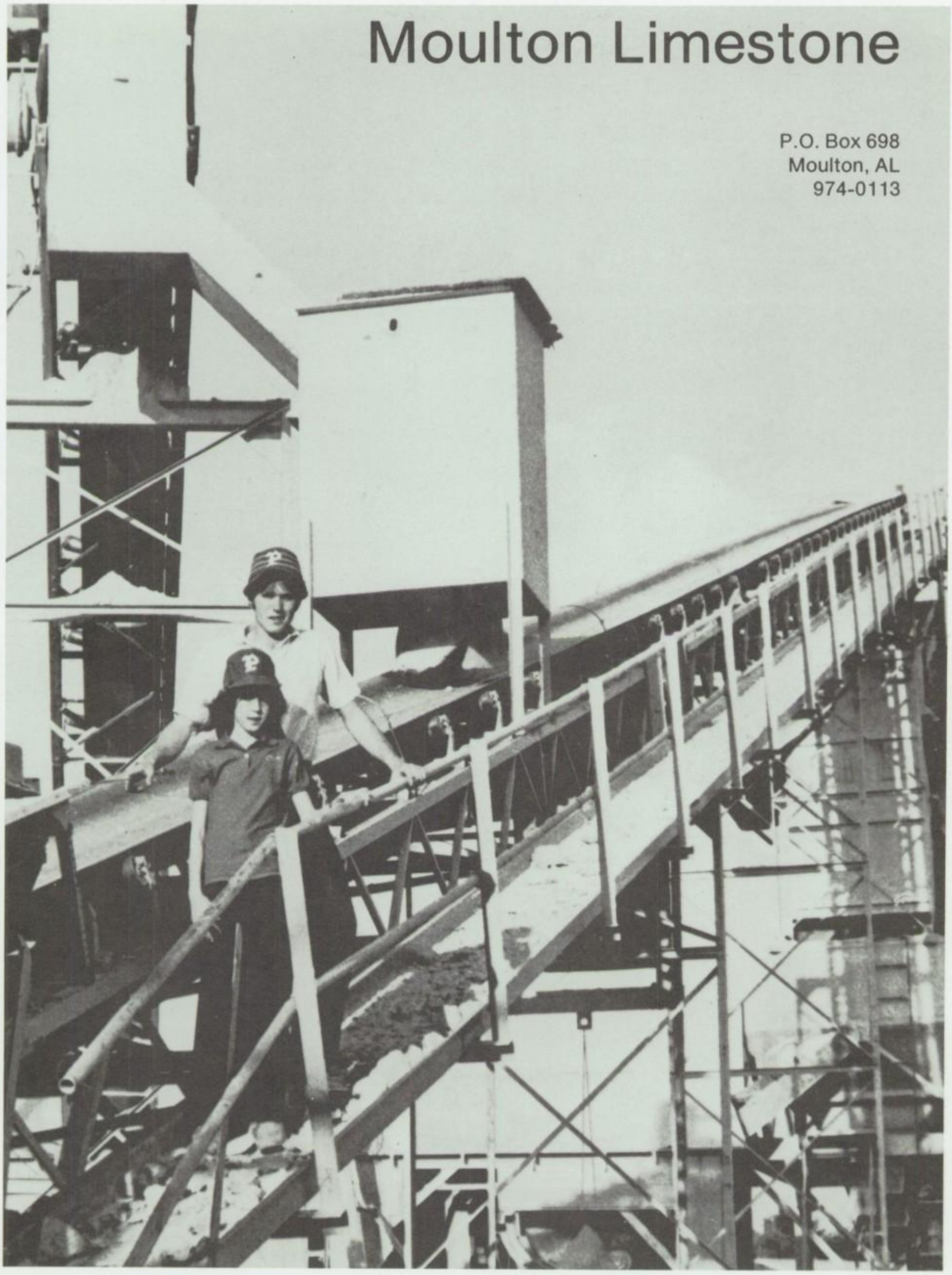

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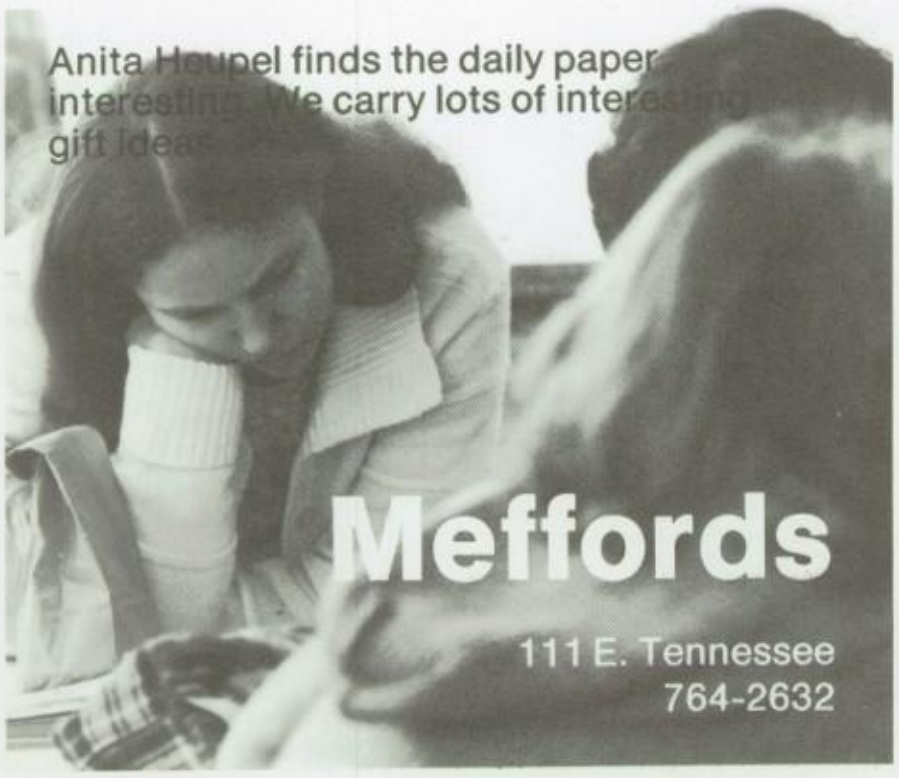

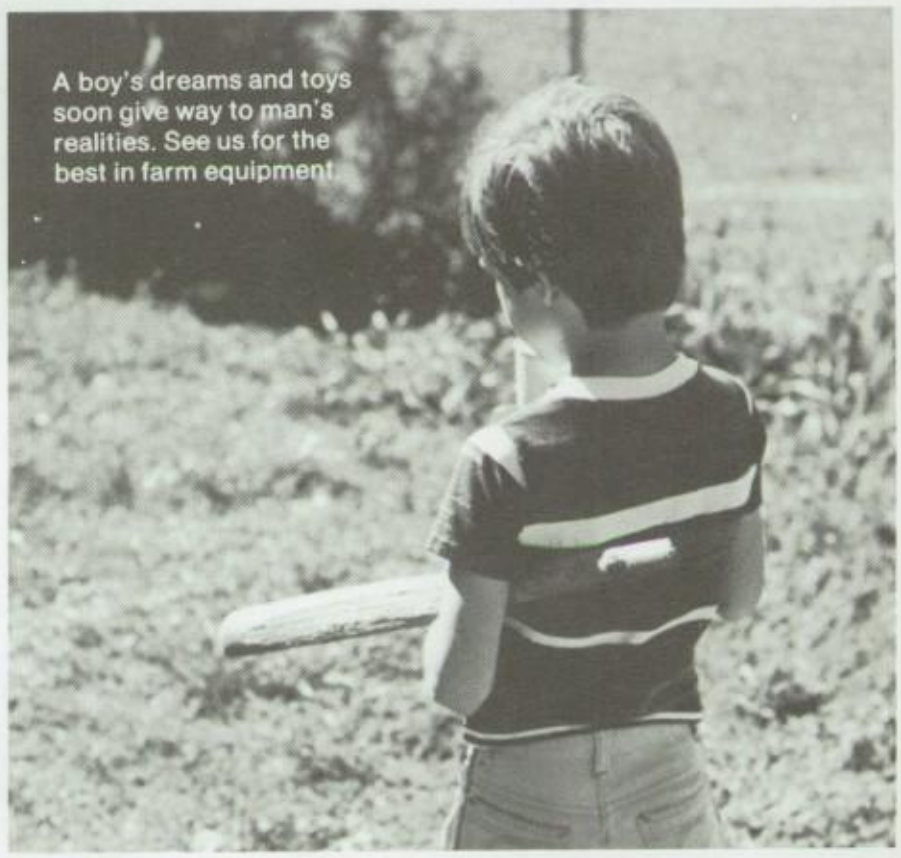

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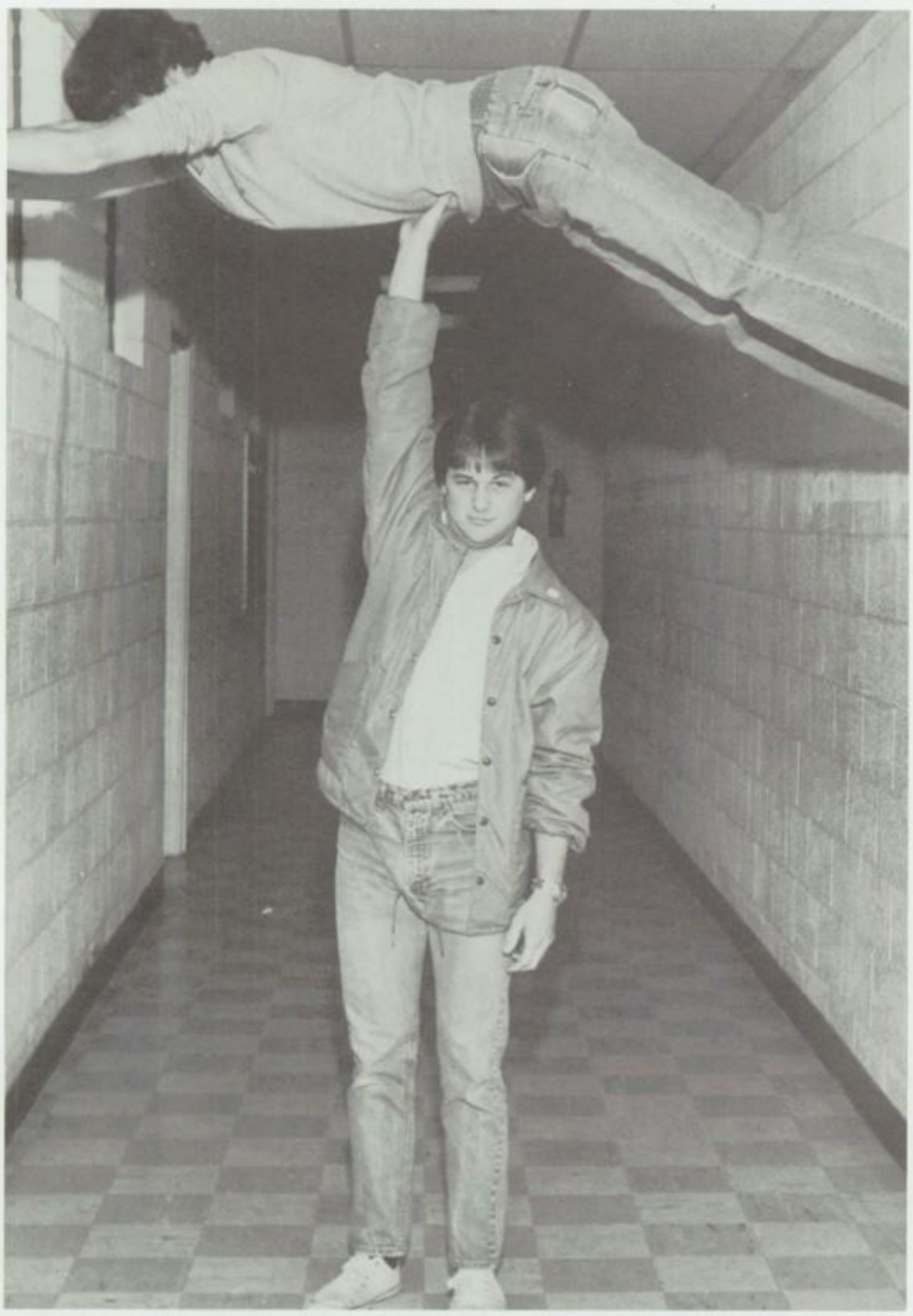

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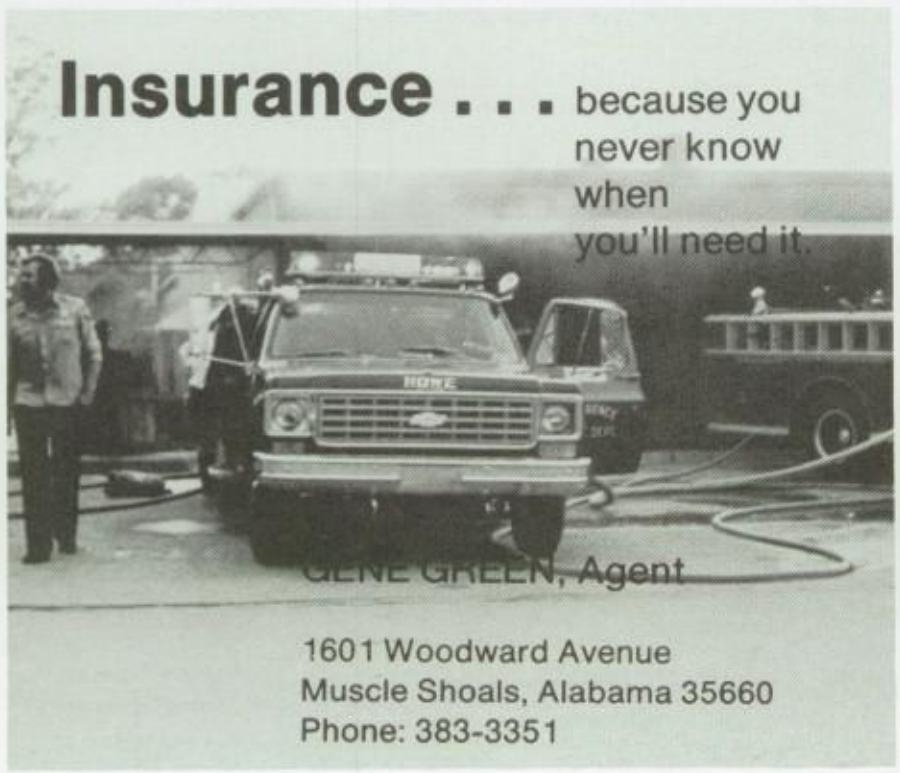
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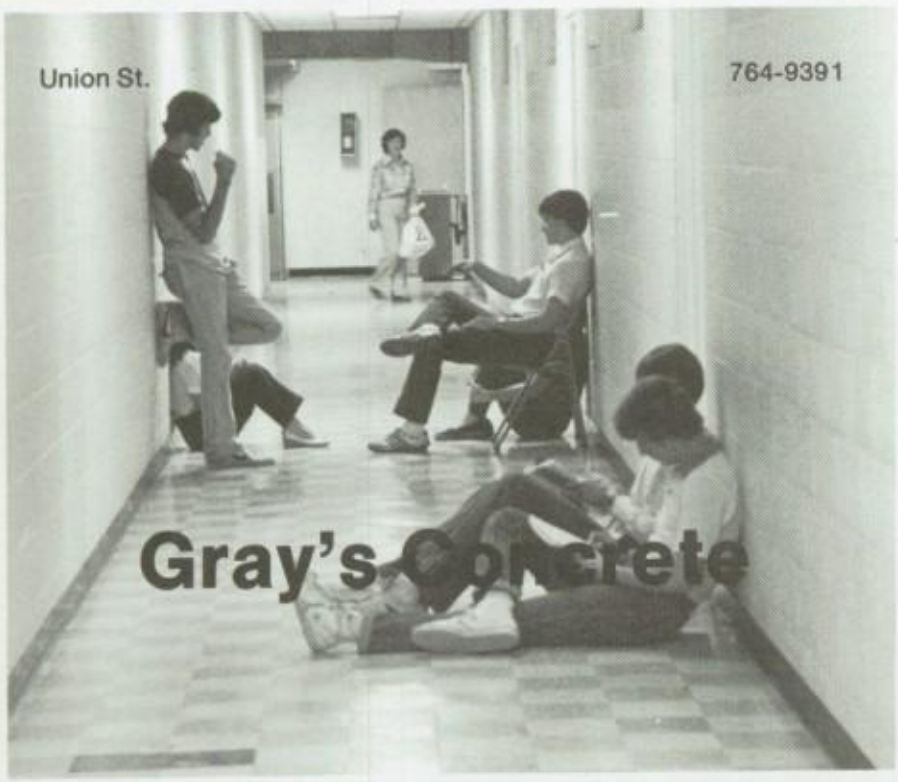

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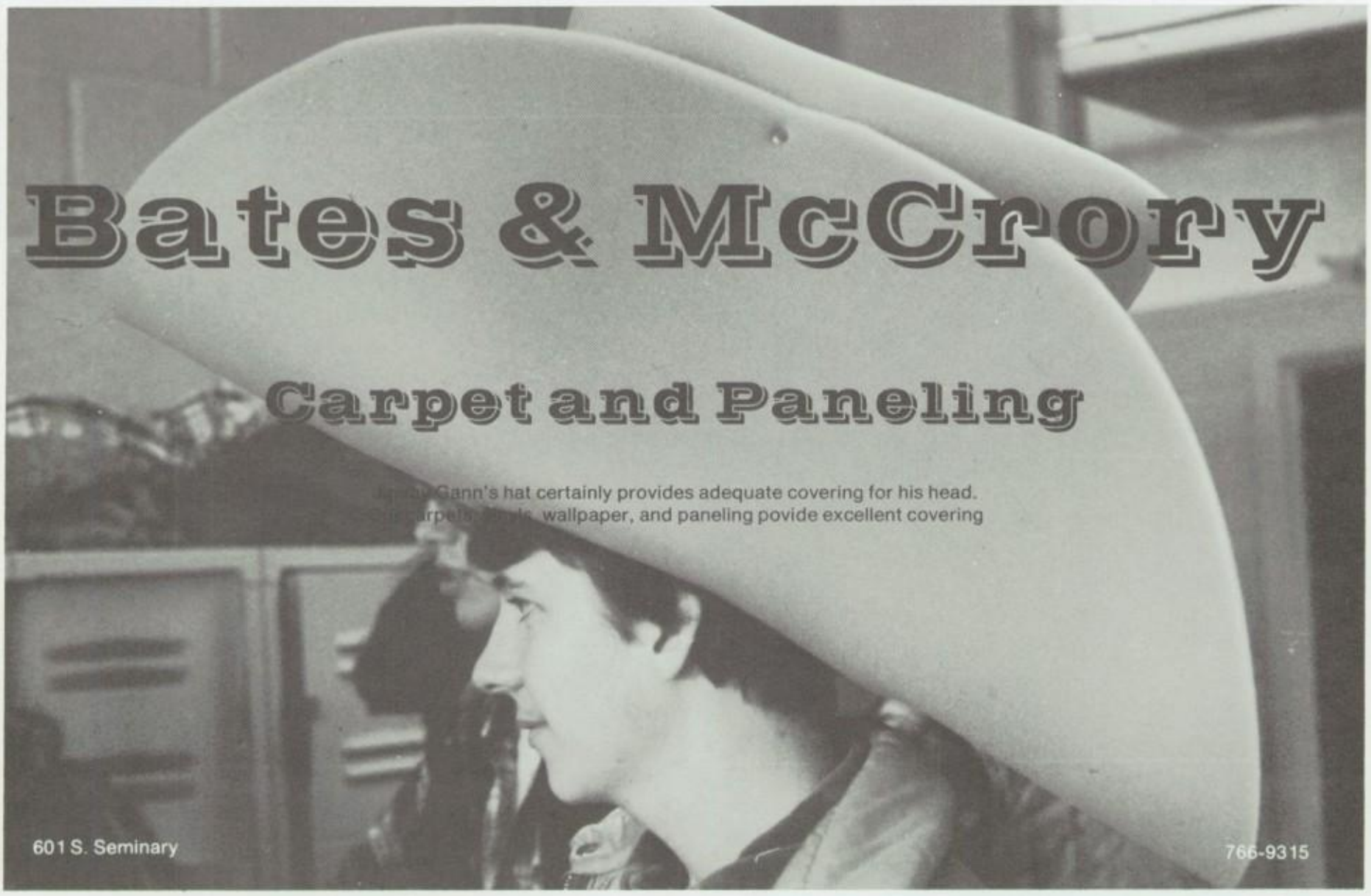
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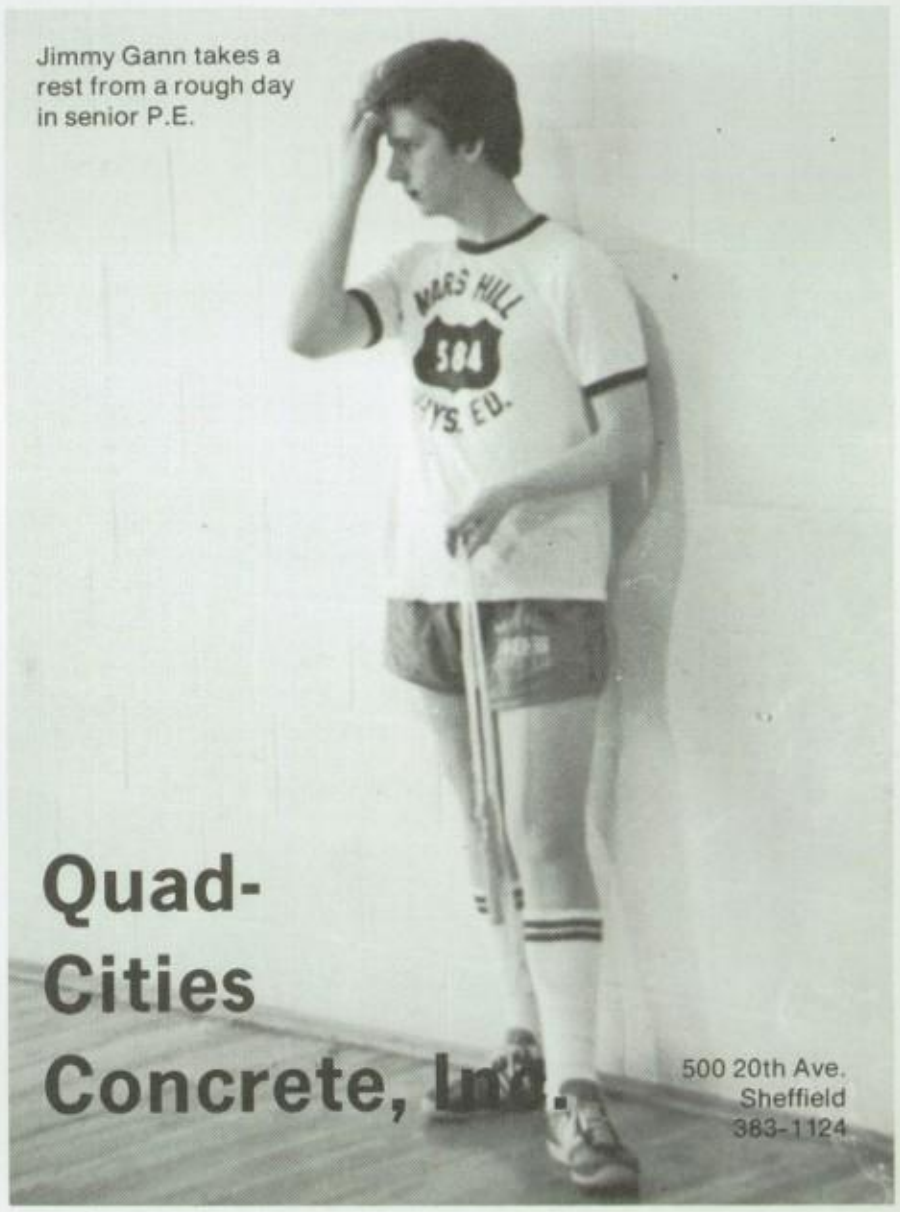

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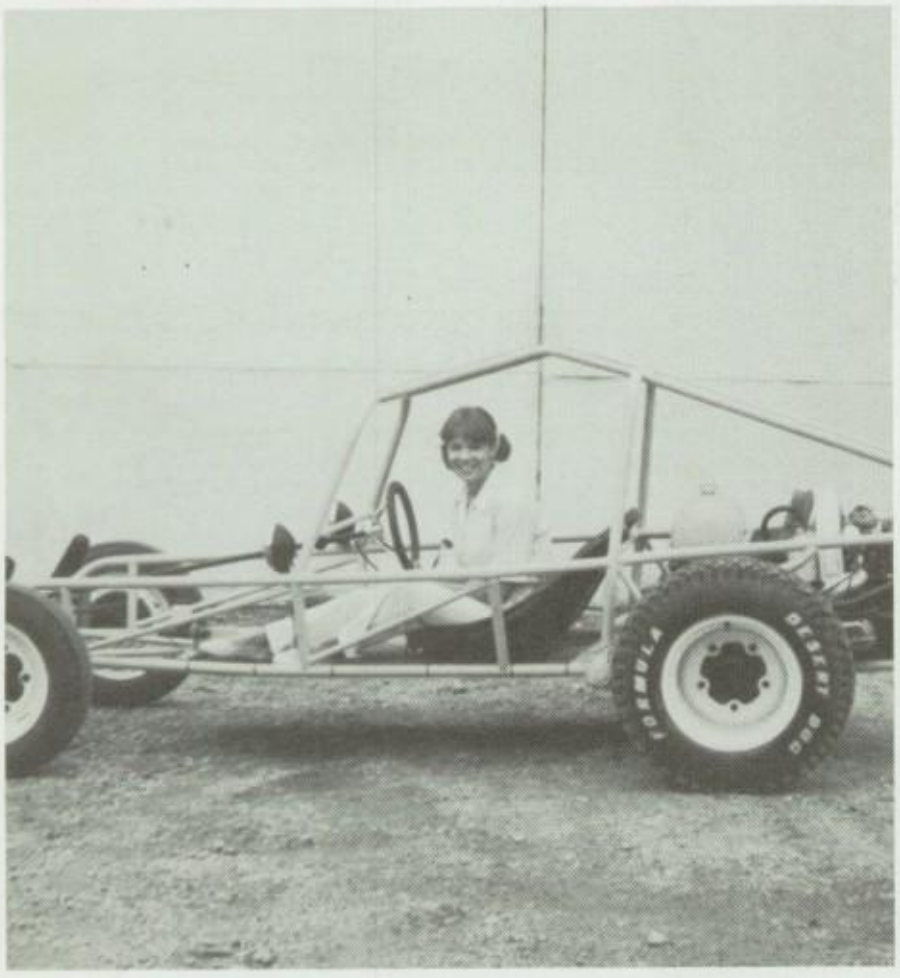

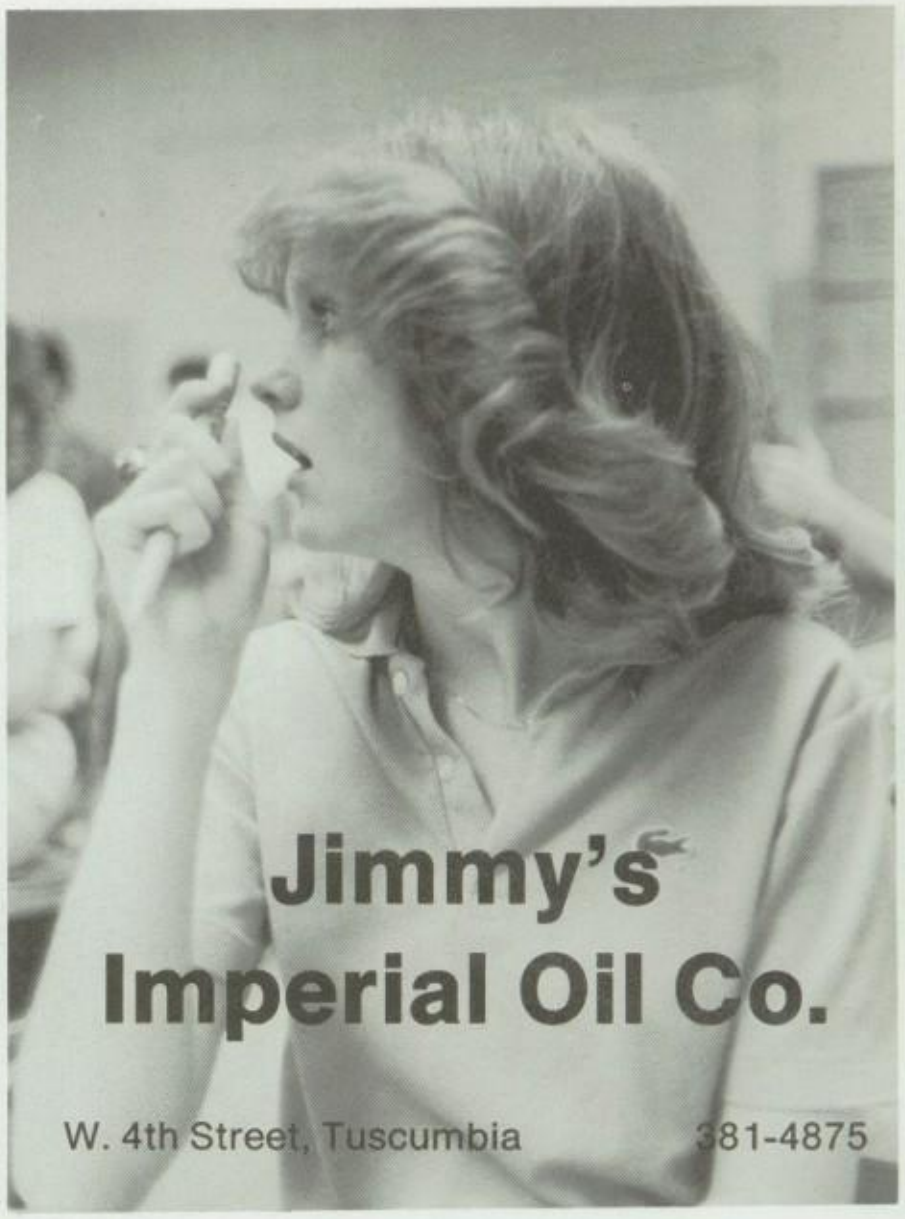

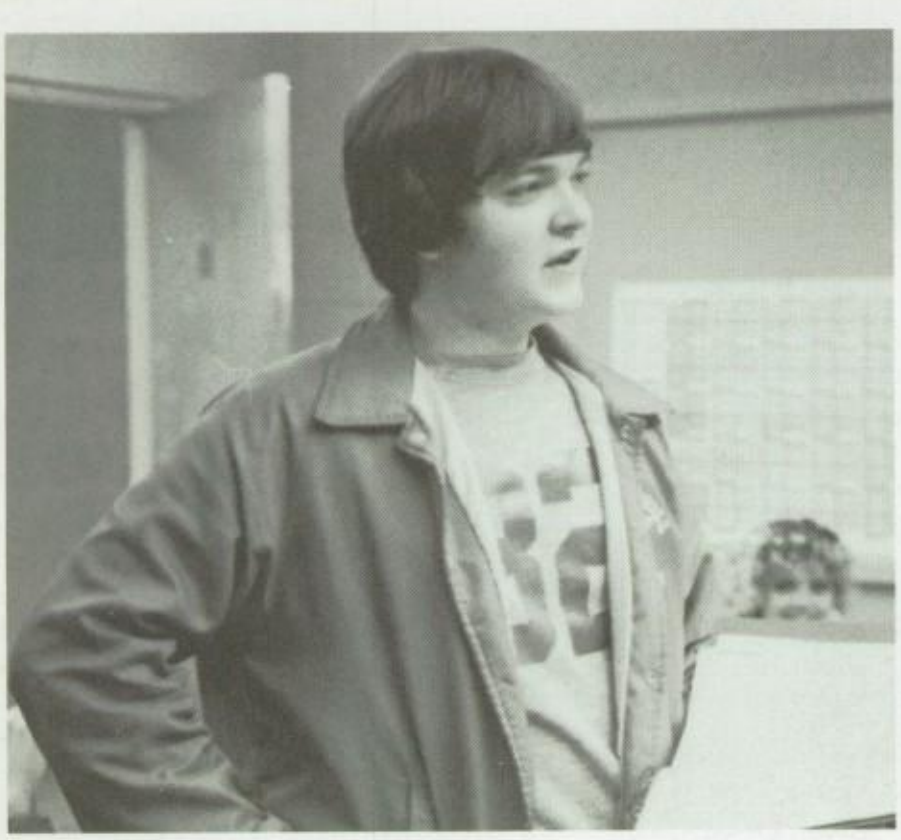

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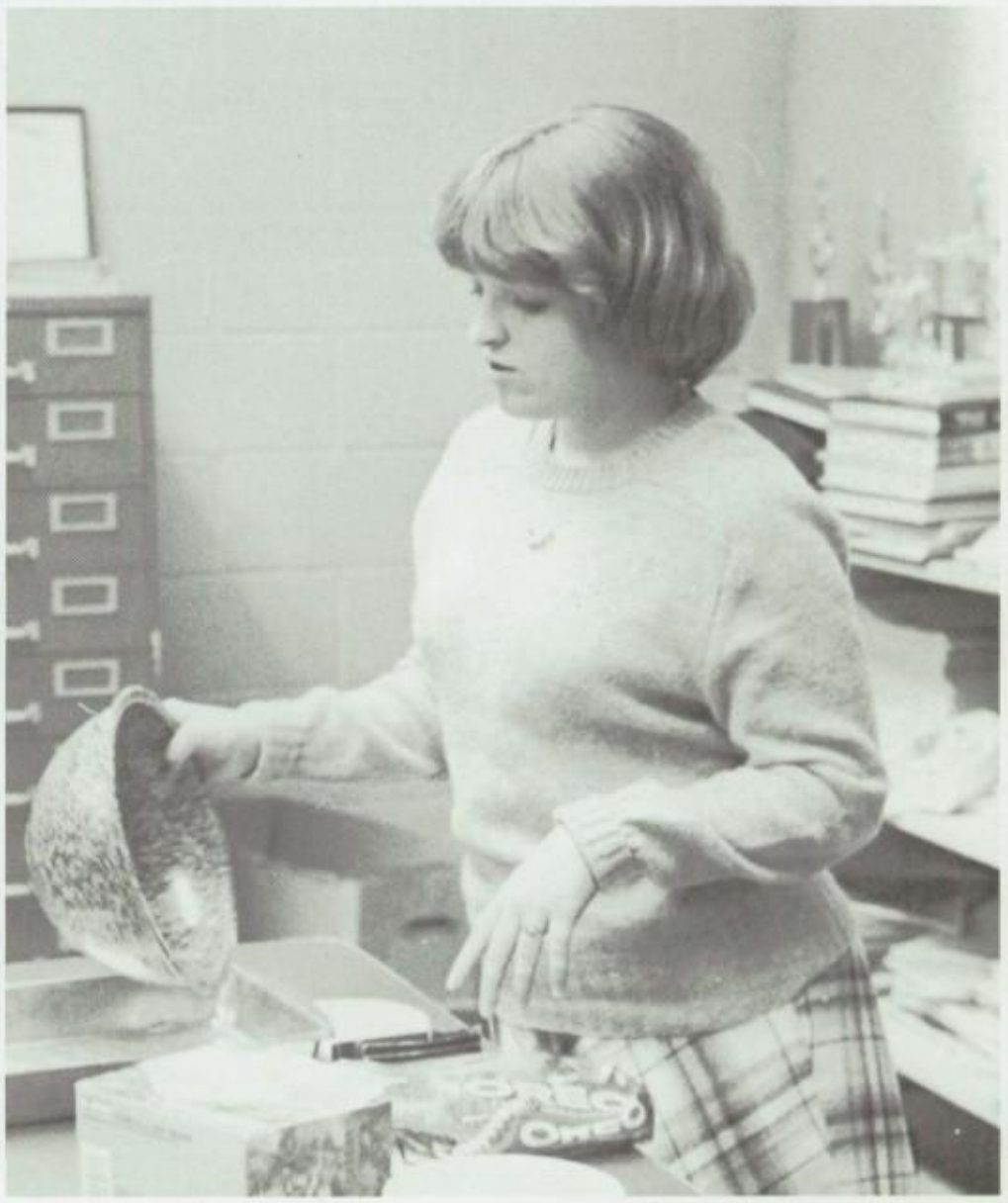

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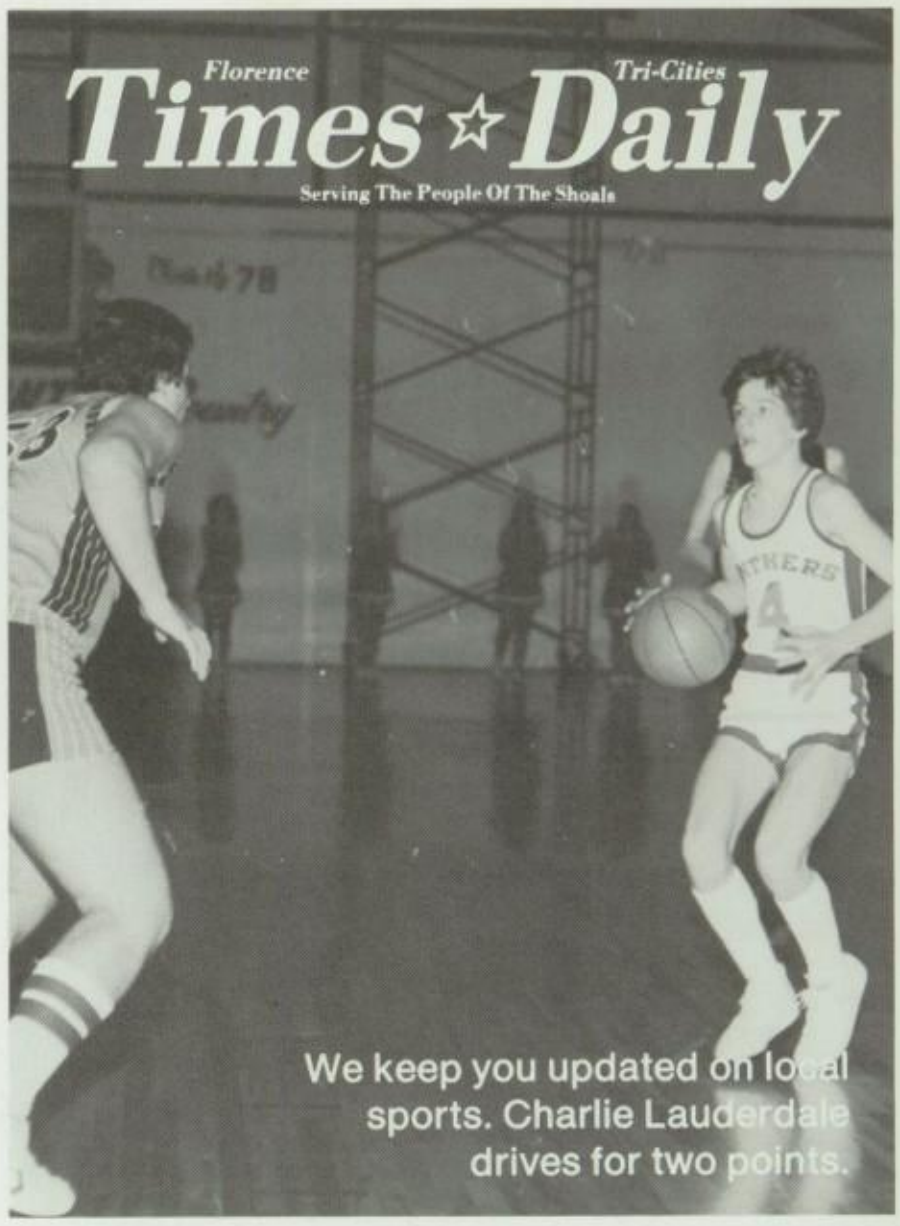
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The year drew to a close with the burning of the cafeteria, outdoor lunches in brown bags, and a spiritual emphasis 'Life Day' that stressed Christianity among teens. It was a time for caring, sharing, and learning.

CHAPEL SPEAKERS stressed the importance of Christian living.

OUTSIDE LUNCHES in the warm spring sun gave Jolie Harrison and Charlie Lauderdale time to visit.

STAYING OUT OF CLASS and getting into trouble are favorite activities at the end of the year for Sydna Patterson, Roger Williams, Price Counts, Chris Letson, and Jeff Burgess.

The year ended quietly and on an optimistic note as students worked to have good memories of the 1980-81 term. The little things that made people smile made all the difference.

"I JUST DON'T BELIEVE IT," Ann McFall jokes as she watches her senior classmates.

"AW, COME ON, LET ME IN," Greg Oliver seems to be saying as he peers through the counselor's window. "I'll only stay a minute!"

HELPING PREPARE refreshments for school activities were Suzanne Frye and Carla Parker.

DOG DAY AFTERNOON! After mysteriously vanishing when the cafeteria burned, student rumors began linking the fire to puppy pyromania. At last report the two suspects were still at large.

CATCHING UP ON THE LATEST news in the world of sports was important to daily life. Jeff Hester and Eddie Woods read *The Sporting News.*

Ain't Life
and God good

"KNOCK 'EM OUT JOHN!" Jerry Clower charmed a Mars Hill audience April 20 with his down-home wit and Deep South humor. His presentation helped end the year on a happy note.

Hey!

Well this is the second time I have got to draw in your annual. So you think I should feel priveleged, but I dont. Just Kidding! Weell I cant believe how close we have been in the last year and half. You are a good & great friend, I hope you'll always stay that way. I remember the walkathon, Rockpile, Burger King, and the big industry of Margerum city. I'll never forget the twenty miles or even 25 miles we have road on belored "bikes" all at one time even. Well I hope you get the man of your dreams and hold on to him for a good long time. I know who you are probaly thinking about. "KEEF". You and him would probaly get along o.k.! Maybe you guys can get togethes soon. Never forget some of our songs like "Winning", "Let her dance", "I want you to want me." Oh that reminds me never forget our perfect airobic routine we did. That sure was pretty embarrasing. But we survived it, and I hope I'll be around and you too so we can live down a few of our "great experiences." Behave and I'll stay cool, and you better also!

Love you,

Dana

P.S. What A CHEAP Pen!

This volume reflects a number of major changes from the 33 previous books.

- At a cost of some $13,000, it is the most expensive book we have ever produced. The $5,000 in advertising appearing here is more than twice the amount *ever* sold. The nearly $6,500 in sales are also a record.
- Everything about Mars Hill is not smaller. The MIZPAH has grown from an eight and one-half by eleven format to a nine by twelve publication.
- More color is found in this volume than in any two previous volumes put together and it is more widely distributed. We believe the use of color should accentuate all areas of the year. You will find color in the introductory, student life, senior and honors sections. Color pictures focus on everyday fads and life, and on the beauty that surround us, on a unique visit by a United States President, on special people and special days, and on those who are our graduates.
- More copy is found in this volume than in any previous volume. We have tried to do more than put together a group of pictures. In a very real sense this book is a historical record. We want to help you remember the details, names, the accomplishments, the frustrations.
- Our photographs are larger. We believe a few large, action pictures which tell stories are better than many small ones which merely 'fill space'.
- In line with current concepts, we have gathered numerous pieces of seemingly trivial information about you and your school. Every section contains some little known facts we believe you will enjoy.
- Art work and design graphics have been added to assist in bringing you the overall message of the year.

In the end we express our appreciation to those who made this book possible.

Members of the faculty, administration, and staff were patient with us as we foraged for every possible 'bit' of information and asked every conceivable question. Several offered helpful ideas. All were very supportive.

Principal Lawrence Williams was more helpful than he will ever know. He was extremely cooperative in helping us to arrange the disruptive days when pictures had to be made and in giving encouragement in many other ways.

Dan and Steven Glenn and their staff at Dan Glenn Studios were always there when they were needed and did their usual job of superior photography.

Our staff worked long hours taking picures, writing copy, designing layouts, preparing headlines, gathering facts and doing the thousand other little things so necessary for the production of a good book. They are a smaller family within a small school and we owe them our thanks.

Colophon

Volume 34 of Mars Hill Bible School's MIZPAH was printed by Taylor Publishing Company in Dallas, Texas. All printing used the offset lithography process.

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The inks used to print the MIZPAH are a base black ink manufactured by Sinclair-Valentine and process color inks produced by Cal-Inks.

Halftones are produced using a 133 line screen for all black and white halftones and to add color and brilliance all 4-color halftones use a 150 line screen.

To protect and enhance the look of the 1981 MIZPAH, Scott Farris has designed a special embossed cover. The cover uses 150 point binder board for strength. Wrapped around the binder board is a brown 331P Lexitone base material manufactured by Hallesten. The applied color is Ivory and the cover is finished with a handtooled grain.

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Hey there,
How's it going? Fine here. I think I am going to like being a Sophmore. How about you? I hope you enjoy Cherokee. Well we have had some wild and crazy times. I'll always remember them and you. You better stay real SPEAKY. Well I am sorry Nobody signed it but the first annual I got for you everybody signed it, but it had a lot of blank pages. So I took it back. Be Good.
I love you,
Lana

Scott Farris